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CAROLINA FAIR OPENS MONDAY

Thirty fifth Annual Exhibit Promises to be Largest and Best in History of State

The Journal and Guide

Raleigh, N. C., October 22.—From all indications the thirty-fifth annual exhibition and fair of the North Carolina Industrial Association, which begins here Monday and will end Saturday, will be the largest and most successful in the history of the organization. Dr. John H. Love, secretary and manager announces that everything is in readiness, and with fair weather record crowds are expected each day.

NEW FEATURES THIS YEAR

There will be several new features this year, one of which is a "Better Babies Contest" each day. This unique innovation is supported by the State Board of Health and the Woman's Home Companion of New York. Hundreds of mothers have indicated their purpose of entering their babies in the contest.

There will be the usual school children's parade, and fifteen thousand children are expected to be in line. Wednesday will be ex-slaves' re-union day. Thursday will be Farmers' Day, and Governor Lock Craig will speak. Friday will be Educational Day. Dr. Booker T. Washington has been invited to speak.

There will be high class races every day. $1,000 in purses have been offered the winners.

The annual fair is always the occasion for many brilliant social events, when the State's best citizens gather at the capital city for a week of social pleasures and recreation. It is also "Home Coming Week," and thousands of Carolinians return here for reunion with families and friends.

TIDEWATER FAIR GROUNDS READY

Tidewater Association Official Finish Race Track and Grandstand for Occasion

ANNUAL FAIR OCTOBER 21-24

Judge Robt. H. Terrell of Municipal Court, Washington Principal Speaker

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(Special to Journal and Guide).

Suffolk, Va., Sept. 15.—Surprisingly fine results in well equipped grounds are being obtained by the officers of the Tidewater Fair Association, composed of leading colored men of Suffolk and vicinity. The grounds, containing 21 3-4 acres have been enclosed by a high cypress board fence, and a commodious grand stand, that will seat two thouand people built. Under the grand stand has been arranged two long rooms for the exhibits. In one, tables will be placed for farm products, and in the other which has been ceiled and finished in good style, the school and house-keeping exhibits will be placed. A judge's stand and sixteen new stables have just been completed.

The race track, oval in shape and half a mile around, has been carefully graded and scraped, and will be ready for the race on October 21, 22, 23, and 24. In cutting out and grading the track the workers cut through an old Confederate fort, finding a number of shells and other relics which were saved for exhibition at the fair.

Among the speakers who are expected to make addresses at the colored fair are Colonel R. T. Brewer of Suffolk, Va., Judge Robert Terrell of Washington, D. C.; Professor Paul S. Blandford of Driver, Va. Prizes are offered for farm products, home made preserves, pickles, bread and cakes, for the best chickens, turkeys, cattle and hogs.

Interesting races have also been arranged for Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, and Saturday, the 21, 22, 23, and 24.

Reduced rates have been offered on the railroads.

The fair grounds are about three-fourths of a mile from the city on the Norfolk and Western Railroad.

D. W. Lee of Suffolk is president of the association; William Calden, J. E. White, and J. W. Pierce are vice presidents; E. L. Rance is assistant secretary and W. H. Crocker is treasurer and general manager.

NEGRO MASONS ENDORSE STATE EXPOSITION DAY

All of 16,000 Members Urged to Work For 50,000 Attendance on "Negro Day," October 17.

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Special to The Advertiser.

TUSKEGEE, ALA., Aug. 21—The thirty-seventh annual meeting of the Alabama Grand Lodge, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons colored Walter Thomas Woods, of Mobile, Grand Master, finished its three days' work Thursday afternoon, after selecting Selma for the next annual meeting and installing the following officers for the ensuing year.

Walter Thomas Woods, Mobile, Grand Master; James Archie Byrd, Birmingham, Deputy Grand Master; Jonathan Randolph Curtis, Dothan Senior Warden; Joseph Phillips, Pike Road, Junior Warden; J. O. Diffay, Birmingham, Grand Treasurer; Catson N. McDaniels, Hartselle, Grand Secretary; R. B. Hudson, Selma, Endowment Treasurers; A. A. Peters, Giradl, Endowment Secretary; Rev. W. H. Mixon, D. C., Grand Chaplain; John L. Garrett, Selma, Grand Lecturer, Northern Division; Elbert G. Humphrey, Montgomery, Grand Lecturer, Eastern Division; J. W. Powell, Mobilefi Grand Lecturer, Western Division; Rev. W. J. Turner, D. D., Birmingham, Grand Orator; David T. West Selma, Grand Marshal; Frank Hill, Montgomery, Grand Standard Bearer; A. W. Perry, Huntsville, Grand Sword Bearer; A. S. Jackson, Blocton, Grand Senior Deacon; Edward A. Langston, Mobile, Grand Junior Deacon; J. D. Kenny, Pickard, Grand Senior Steward; Charles Hamilton, Birmingham, Grand Junior Steward; Seaborne Griffin, Davis Creek, Grand Pursuivant; Charles Todd, Montgomery, Grand Tyler.

Auditing Committee—J. T. Gregory, Greenville; W. R. Lee, Montgomery; C. H. Evans, Tuskegee Institute.

Other Business.

The officers were installed by the Past Grand Master J. T. Gregory.

The "Lodge of Sorrow" was held at the institute chapel Wednesday night, conducted by Jeremiah Barnes, James H. Byrd, Joseph Phillips, J. R. Curtis, Rev. W. P. White, Chaplain; Rev. W. H. Mixon and C. H. Evans; 167 men died during the year.

Devotional exercises Thursday morning were conducted by Grand Chaplain White. After reading and approving the journal, Rev. J. A. Bray, of Birmingham, Editor of The Voice of the People, the official organ of the Grand Lodge, spoke in the interest of his paper. A motion was passed that each subordinate lodge should take the paper.

Reports were read and adopted on charters and legislation; education; exemplification of works; temperance; jurisprudence; and return of lodges. A letter was read from Dr. Booker T. Washington, inviting the Grand Lodge to hold its next annual meeting at Tuskegee Institute. A report of the committee on by-laws of lodges was read and adopted. Also the report of the committee on endowments.

Negro Day at Fair.

Professor R. B. Hudson, of Selma, offered a resolution which was unanimously adopted endorsing negro day at the Montgomery Fair, October 17, calling upon the 16,00 negro Masons in Alabama to make exhibits of their products and use their influence to make negro day the occasion to secure an attendance of 50,000. The motion was favorably discussed by Rev. J. A. Bray, Rev. A. F. Owens, Rev. W. H. Mixon, William Rakestraw and others. R. B. Hudson was instructed by the Grand Lodge to wire greetings to the Negro Business League now in session in Oklahoma.

Dr. E. T. Belsaw, of Mobile, made an eloquent appeal to the Grand Lodge to meet next year at Tuskegee Institute. Dr. W. H. Mixon poured out a flood of oratory in favor of Selma, which caused Dr. Belsaw to withdraw the name of Tuskegee Institute and Selma was selected by an overwhelming vote.

After making a donation of $50 to Tuskegee Institute, and thanking Major Ramsey and his assistants for making the visitors stay pleasant and profitable, and thanking the management and citizens for their generous hospitality, the Grand Lodge adjourned and its most prosperous session passed into history.

It is noteworthy that he only disorder seen in the sessions was created in the scramble for the daily papers when they reached the Institute.

READY FOR SUFFOLK FAIR

New Grounds and Race Track About Ready for Annual Exhibit and Races

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A representative of The Journal and Guide went to Suffolk Tuesday afternoon and was shown over the new Fair Grounds and Race Track of the Tidewater Fair Association by the treasurer and general manager, Mr. W. H. Crocker. The grounds are about three-quarters of a mile from the Union depot, on the main highway to Norfolk. Accompanied by Mr. Crocker in his auto we were within the grounds in a very few minutes after alighting from the train.

Covers Large Area

The fair grounds covers twenty three acres of ground and are situated in a most beautiful and convenient location. The fact that it is on the main thoroughfare leading from Norfolk to Suffolk, and is also skirted by the Norfolk and Western railroad enhances its value as a fair grounds and race track. The grounds are a part of the $10,000.00 tract bought last year by the Nansemond Development Company for deveolpment purposes. This is a colored corporation.

A Splendid Plant

The new grandstand, which will seat between four and five thousand people is nearing completion. It has a new feature in the nature of a roof garden, which promises to be an attractive addition to the plant. Under the grand stand are the main exhibit hall, display room for agricultural exhibits and offices. Along side of the grand stand a row of bleachers will be built for the accommodation of spectators who care to enter the grand stand. Mr. Crocker stated that in planning the grounds the fair association looked well to the future. Many improvements are contemplated, which will keep the grounds open most of the year. A pleasure park with motion pictures and other amusements are proposed for excursionists and for local patronage. It is also planned to hold races at frequent intervals during the year.

Racing a Feature

Racing will be a prominent feature of the fair which will be held October 21-24. The track is ready and some of the best horses in Tidewater as well as other sections have been entered. This feature is under the direction of Mr. D. W. Lee, president of the fair association.

Things are rapidly shaping up, and this is expected to be the best fair ever held in Suffolk. The agricultural and school exhibits

promise to be the best ever displayed.

Judge Terrell Will Speak

The principal speaker this year will be Judge Robert H. Terrell of the Municipal Court of the District of Columbia. Judge Terrell was recently reappointed by President Wilson, and his appointment created quite a stir in political circles in Washington. The president stood by him, however, and the senate confirmed the appointmen over the opposition of Senator Vardaman and others.

Round trip reduced rates are offered over all the railroads leading to Suffolk this

N. C. FAIR WAS GREAT SUCCESS

City Virtually Turned Over To Thousands of Colsred People From All Sections.

ADDRESSED BY GOV. CRAIG

Babies' Contest Was Popular Event. Fine Industrial Exhibits. Officers Elected.

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By T. L. McCoy.

Raleigh, N. C., Nov. 4th.—The North Carolina Industrial Association celebrated its thirty sixth anniversary, beginning October 26th, and ending Oct. 31st, at the fair grounds in this city. The city was virtually turned over to the colored people for the time being and they were here in thousands from every nook and corner in the State. Everybody was dressed in his or her best and on good behavior, was out for a week of good time. The white people from the governer down to the policeman were in hearty sympathy with the spirit of jollification which runs through the colored people's veins at each annual occurrence of the Negro State Fair, and gives aid instructively to and helping to make the occasion one of pleasure and instruction. Governor Locke Craig, visited the Fair last Thursday and in company with State Treasurer Lacy, addressed the colored people, and said in part; "From the looks of so many colored faces before me, I am persuaded to believe that you have obeyed to the letter that scriptorial injunction to wit: Increase, Multiply and Replenish the Earth."

The governor spoke of North Carolina as a state of opportunity and of the colored people as workers of whom the state is proud. He complimented the colored people f r the excellent display of their farm products and hand crafts which he thought was good. He assured the colored people, that as the governor of North Carolina he would do his best to help them in every line of progress.

Governor Craig was introduced by Mr Berry O'Kelly, president of the Fair Association, and the crowd cheered vociferously. One of the new features which took place at the fair this year, was the Colored Better Babies Contest. The announcement of the winners in this contest have not been made as yet, but the contest so far as there is any record, is the first in the South. As a departure in the development line among the colored people of the State, the contest was significant. The physicians who had charge of the examinations made this as thorough as possible, and the value of the contest, they say, is of the very greatest to the colored people. The State Board of Health issued yesterday a statement concerning the contest, it follows:

The colored better babies Contest held in connection with the colored state fair last week met with unforseen success. Those having it in charge are gratified with the results, and are encouraged to undertake further and more advanced work along this line another year.

Though this is the first attempt of the colored people at a Better Babies Contest in this State and perhaps throughout the South, so satisfactory and successful was the result in every way that it has been made an annual organization. The examinations were in the hands of colored physicians, dentists and trained nurses. The standard score cards, were used and medals and certificates given. The mothers had pointed out to them by a child specialist the cause and remedy of every defect the score card showed. Thus they were able to go home and remedy perhaps what might have been deformities for life.

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PREPARATIONS FOR ANNUAL NEGRO FAIR

Organization Has Kept Its Prize List Up to the Standard This Year.

WILL OPEN ON 27TH

Will Make the Corn Show One of Fair's Big Features This Time—Expect Large Attendance of Out-of-Town People.

(By Silas X. Floyd.)

Preparations for the seventh annual negro fair, which will be held at the Georgia-Carolina fair grounds, October 27th, 28th, 29th and 30th, have gone forward without interruption and the outlook for a succesful show is very bright.

The usual premiums in the poultry and pet stock department, in the agricultural department including the corn show, and in the woman's department have been voted by the board of directors. In spite of the European war and in spite of the cry of "hard times" on this side the sea, no decrease has been made in our appropriations for prizes. In fact we have increased the awards in several instances. For example, three will be one day's additional racing this year, and that involves a small addtional outlay and we have also increased the prizes in the corn show.

As to our corn show, it is gratifying to chronicle the fact that our white friends have continued to lend us a helping hand in this department Among others, Mr. H. H. Alexander, Phinizy & Co., Hon. W. H. Fleming, Hon. W. M. Howard, Mr. Thos. S. Gray, Mr. Frank H. Barrett, J. B. White & Co., VonKamp, Vaughan & Gerald, Hon. Tracy I. Hickman, and Rice-O'Connor Shoe Co., have agreed to make small donations to help us out with our prizes in this particular department. Rev. J. W. Whitehead, the chairman of our agricultural department, and the writer will call on others of the white citizens of Augusta during the present week seeking their aid and co-operation.

The chief event locally in connection with our fair each year is the annual football game between Paine College and Haines School. These two teams will line up on the gridiron again this year on Thursday afternoon, October 29th. This game is already the talk of the town.

Dr. S. S. Johnson, chairman of the horse racing committee, has been devoting considerable time to getting a fine racing card for Tuesday and Wednesday and Friday of fair week. There will be no races on Thursday on account of the football game. The chairman of the racing committee states that we will have the best races this year that we have ever had. All horses that enter are owned by colored people. We do this to encourage the raising of fine stock among our people.

Dr. C. T. Walker, president of the Negro Fair Association, will deliver his address on opening day at noon in the grandstand. His annual review of conditions as they affect the people of the South, both white and colored, is looked forward to with eagerness and great expectancy each year, and it goes without saying that his large audiences are never disappointed. Dr. Walker is the ablest and wittiest negro preacher in the world, and we possess a great treasure in having him to direct our affairs.

Reduced rates have been granted on all the railroads, as usual, and we are expecting the usual large out-of-town patronage. We are trusting to those who read these articles in the Augusta papers to favor us this year, as in other years, by scattering the information as to our dates, etc., as far as possible. The slogan all through Richmond and the adjoining counties in Georgia, and throughout the neighboring counties in South Carolina ought to be during the next two weeks, Meet me at the colored fair in Augusta the last week in October."

One of our Augusta colored newspapers says that all the colored people hereabout are looking forward to the coming of the negro fair just as eagerly as little children watch for Christmas; another colored newspaper here says that it will be one of the biggest fairs yet held in Georgia, in spite of the hard times; and each week our third colored newspaper here (the oldest ond most influential one) says something editorially about the good the negro fair has done and is doing. I am hoping that the exhibits will be about as large as in past years, but as to this we cannot be certain until opening day. What with the long and devastating drouth of last spring, and what with the "great war" of the present autumn, the farmers have been hard hit and several are filled with despair unfortunately, now knowing which way to look to find a friend; but we are hoping for the best. The woman's department will have its usual quoto of fine exhibits from those who sew and paint and do fancy work, and also from those who are skilled in the household arts and sciences. Liberal premiums are granted in this department each year, and for that reason we seldom or never lack a large number of splendid and attractive exhibits

Captain Beane says the midway will be all right, as usual, including the colored high diver and balloon artist etc. There will be a plenty to eat and drink, and we will have the usual police protection.

"Meet me at the negro fair the last week in October!"

Our Colored Fairs

Too much emphasis cannot be placed upon the importance of our people attending largely the industrial and agricultural fairs which are to be held this fall for their exclusive benefit. A state fair will be held at Raleigh, N. C., by the North Carolina Industrial Association, October 26th, to 31st, inclusive. In Virginia the annual exhibit of the Tidewater Fair Association at Suffolk takes the place of a colored state fair. This will be held October 21st, to 24th, inclusive, in the spacious new grounds just completed for the purpose.

There is much to be gained by attending the fairs, especially so on the part of the farmers. It affords a few days of recreation and pleasure for the tiller of the soil, and provides an outing for the wife and children that will repay its cost many times in inspiration and knowledge gained.

The farm exibits are always attractive and afford inspiration to the visitors and many times give indifferent farmers a determination to compete next year and the result is better crops by these farmers.

All women are interested in fancy needle work and household economy. There is much to be learned from the fair exhibits in this line.

The school exhibits promote greater effort and self-help among the school children, and in this connection we wish to say that it is our hope that at least one day shall be set aside by all the schools in territory contiguous to the above named fairs for the children to attend the exhibits in a body.

The athletic games and races are other important features that help make the fairs well worth the time spent in attending them.

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TIDEWATER FAIR GREAT SUCCESS

Agricultural, Home and School Exhibits Were Unusually Fine This Year

LARGE CROWD EVERY DAY

Over Twenty-five Hundred People Heard Judge Terrell's Splendid Address on Thursday

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(Special to The Journal and Guide)

Suffolk, Va., October 27.—Much credit is due Mr. D. W. Lee, president; Mr. W. H. Crocker, manager; Dr. L. C. Rance, secretary, with their co-workers, for the great success of the Tidewater Fair held here last week. Those who prayed for fair weather, got it. Between 4,000 and 5,000 passed thru the gates of the new Fair Grounds. There were no signs of drunkeness or any other disorderly conduct. The exhibits showed that the Negro farmers of Nansemond county are among the best in the state. Those from the schools were very good. Sewing, canning and many other things taught in the rural schools by Mrs. G. A. Troy, showed a marked degree of thrift and industry among our county teachers.

We have not been able to see the list of prize winners; but learn that Mars Hill school, in the county, won first prize.

Judge Terrell, of Washington, D. C., was the principal speaker. That he is an interesting speaker, was evidenced by how gladly the people heard him. He traced the progress of the race from emancipation, to the present time, giving much wholesome advice. There were other good speakers who did credit to the occasion and to themselves. The racing was very interesting. President D. W. Lee, was track manager. Lawyer W. H. Land, starter, and Prof. J. W. Wilson, time keeper. We hope to give a fuller account of the race and prizes in our next issue.

Successful Fair In Spite of the Bad Weather.

Surprisingly Large and Excellent Display of Agricultural and Industrial Exhibit.

The Negro Industrial, Educational and Agricultural fair held at Bunceton, Mo., last week, was an unqualified success. In spite of the rainy and disagreeable weather large crowds were in attendance each day and on Friday an unusually large crowd was accorded. All of the best farmers and citizens of Cooper county are interested in this venture and all worked hard too make it a succes each year. The officers this year were: G. D. Holliday, president; Wm. Henderson, vice president; Chas. G. Byas, secretary; Maggie L. Holliday, assistant secretary; W. T. Newman, treasurer; with Mrs. G. D. Holliday, superintendent of the Art Hall. The Board of Directors were: Emmett Baskett, J. F. Crockett, W. Clay, W. V. Holliday, A. Gaston, Lewis Draffen, W. Lindsay, and the officers. At night lectures were given on industrial and racial topics; first night by Dr. R. Leon Hill of Boonville; the second night by Prof. N. C. Bruce of Balton; and the third night by Hon. N. C. Crews of Kansas City, editor of the Kansas City Sun. Large crowds greeted each speaker. Prizes were offered for the various products raised on a farm; for the best lady rider; for the best specimen of handwriting; best home-made quilts; best gentleman rider over fifty; the prettiest girl baby; the oldest person in attendance; for winner of fat man's race to weigh not less than 200 pounds, and many other interesting events. All in all it was the most successful Negro fair held in the state of Missouri and the management promises to make it even better and larger next year. While there the editor was the guest at the beautiful home of Mr. and Mrs. C. G. Byas. Mrs. Byas is one of the most charming hostesses in the state and her husbaand is rated as the best blacksmith in

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NEGRO BUILDING CREDIT TO RACE

Exhibits On Display There Show Work Of Exceptional

Merit

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The Negro Department of the Alabama State Exposition at Vandiver Park is a revelation of what Alabama negroes are doing for themselves.

The interior of the Negro Building is tastefully decorated with bunting and flags.

On the first floor are elaborate exhibits from Tuskegee Institute, representing the work of students in the agricultural, mechanical, academic and the girls industrial departments with exhibits from the extension department and the Tuskegee Experiment Station and Division of Research in charge of Prof. George W. Carver. These exhibits covers more than half of the first floor.

On the same floor are very large and creditable displays from the Mt. Meigs Reform School for negro boys, the Lomax-Hannon Industrial School, Greenville, the Home Makers Club for negro girls, conducted in eleven counties of the State by J. L. Sibley, State Superintendent of Rural Schools for negroes, together with a nextensive exhibit from Little Zion Community collected by S. Provo and an

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NEGRO FAIR BEGINS TUESDAY MORNING

Business Difficulties of Georgia-Carolina Fair Association Not to Interfere With Negro's Exhibition.

(By Silas X. Floyd.)

In spite of the unfortunate business troubles of the white fair association, the negro fair will go right on according to schedule. Just to show the spirit of those upon whom we have depended in the past I might say that within an hour after the receivership was granted Saturday afternoon the papers were shown to our director-general and we were assured that the fullest provision had been made by the judges in granting the receivership that nothing should happen to prevent the colored people from going ahead with their show for this week.

The secretary of the negro fair association subsequently received the same information over the phone from the same source, Captain Beane and Mr. James U. Jackson both saying that they would see that every provision would be made for us to go ahead without embarrassment. Now all this is but confirmation of what I said in my notes Sunday morning, namely, that Augusta is the best place in the world for the colored man to live.

Begins Tomorrow.

The negro fair will begin on Tuesday at 10 a. m. The speech-making will take place in the grandstand at 12 o'clock noon promptly. Dr. C. T. Walker, our president, will make the address. Following the address the horse show will be put on, and then the afternoon, beginning at 2 o'clock, will be devoted to horse races.

The Augusta Brewing Company will leave its exhibit intact for our show. The J. B. White Company store phoned during Saturday afternoon to find out how the receivership would affect us, because they were anxious to let their exhibit remain. A gentleman most prominent in this community, who sent us a donation, but who does not care to have his name mentioned, said in his communication:

"Without hesitation I say that you ought to receive every encouragement from the white people of Augusta, because your good citizenship deserves it at their hands. While many other sections are in strife and disorder, in our city, through the examples of Walker, Floyd, Craig and other prominent citizens who make up your association, the best relations exist."

Words of Good Cheer.

Messrs. L. J. Schaul & Co. offer as a prize a solid gold set of collar and cuff buttons.

Judge Hammond wrote:

"I hope your fair will be a grea success."

Maxwell Brothers have donated a $5 mahogany rocker.

A wealthy capitalist, who is himself engaged extensively in the manufacture of cotton goods, sent us a good check, and gave us in his lette this truth to ponder over: "Some thing to eat first—cotton afterwards."

F. G. Mertins donates a $5 fanc vest. Swan-Edwards Company do nate a $3 hat. J. B. White & C agree to give $5 in trade. Von Kamp Vaughan & Gerald will give an um brella.

A prominent business man said: " am saving myself for the colore people's fair. I was too busy to go t the white fair, but I am going t make it a point to attend the negr fair because they need me more tha the white fair does."

A near-beer dealer, who had help ed us with our advertising matter was offered a complimentary ticket and he said: "No. I am coming ou as often as I can—I am certain t come two days—but I want to pay my way. I am coming out to spend my money."

Kind Words Appreciated.

Several of the best and foremost citizens found it impossible to render any help this year, some of them having been among our contributors in the past. They sent us good letters just the same, expressing regret at their inability to help us out this year. The bankers, the large planters and the cotton factors have been especially hard hit by the nefarious European war, and while w cannot receive actual material hel from a number of our usual friends we are deeply appreciative of thei moral support, and we know that when times are better they will be willing to help us again.

Colored People Helping.

The colored people are standing by us also.

The People's Furniture Company, corner of Campbell and Dugas Streets, will put on a complete bedroom outfit and parlor suite at the fair. This is the only furniture store in the city operated by colored people, and their support of our fair is a step in the right direction.

Several agricultural exhibits from the country districts arrived on Saturday, and the woman's department already has on hand a large number of creditable exhibits. And from what I have seen of them, I am willing to say that the work in this department grows better and better each year.

Are we happy? You bet. Ask Simon!

What do we need now? Three things. First, the favor of the Lord; secondly, fair weather, and thirdly, the patronage of the people.

The negro fair begins Tuesday. Give us a good shove off!

Exhibitors are urged to get their exhibits to the grounds as early on Monday as possible.

Nashville, Tennessean

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NEGROES PLAN BIG DAY AT FAIR

Negro Board of Trade Greatly Interested in Special Day Saturday.

JUBILEE SINGERS TO SING

Literary Program, Racing and Band Concert Are on Program.

CHAIRMAN FOR NEGRO DAY.

The management of the Tennessee state fair announces that all arrangements have been completed for "negro day" at the big show, which was inaugurated this year as a new departure. J. C. Napier, the local colored leader, is chairman for this special day, and D. Wellington Berry, who is secretary of the Nashville negro board of trade, is secretary of this day, and the arrangements have been very largely in the hands of these two officials of the negro board, which became interested in the movement early in the year. They have been working in co-operation with both the state fair management and a committee from the board of trade, composed of C. N. Langston, chairman; A. N. Johnson, M. V. Boutte, B. J. Carr and G. H. Bandy.

"Negro day" has been well advertised among the colored people throughout the state, and it is expected that Saturday will be one of the biggest days of the fair in point of attendance. This day will also

be one of the best in other particulars, as all of the exhibits and big free attractions will be open both day and night as on all previous days, and, in addition, numerous special features and a number of special programs have been added for the benefit of the colored people. Among these will be speaking, band concerts, competitive drills, night horse show and racing.

A literary program has been prepared to take place at 10 o'clock in the morning and a grand musical demonstration will be one of the features, participated in by many trained voices, among them the famous Jubilee singers, under the direction of Prof. J. W. Work of Fisk university. Short addresses will be delivered by President W. J. Hale of the Agricultural and Industrial state normal; Prof. J. B. Batte of the Nashville colored schools, Dr. R. H. Boyd, secretary of the Baptist publishing board; Rev. Preston Taylor and Dr. J. H. Hale. Appropriate selections will be interspersed by the band and a solo will be rendered by Miss Genevia Bender, a gifted colored singer and a reading by Mrs. D. Wellington Berry, who is also a most entertaining and talented elocutionist. Chairman Napier will preside over this program.

TWELVE BANDS TO COMPETE.

At 1 o'clock, the program for the band contests and competitive drill will be carried out. Prizes amounting to $200 will be given to the winners. The indications are that at least a dozen brass bands from over the state will enter the band contest and there will also be numerous uniform rank companies to compete from several of the larger cities.

The racing program in the afternoon will be one of the best seen during the fair, and arrangements have been made to have colored drivers in all these contests. The purses will also go to the drivers winning the different events. The entries for the races are being made with the Nashville negro board of trade, 410 Cedar street, or with Chairman Napier at the One Cent Savings Bank.

The women will carry out an appropriate program in the woman's building at 3:30 o'clock, an organization for colored women having been formed to work in cooperation with the committee of men from the board of trade. Addresses will be delivered by Mrs. G. E. Haynes of Fisk university and Mrs. A. O. Kenny of Roger Williams university. Musical selections will be given by Miss Ruth Allison, Mrs. H. A. Cameron, Miss Bender and Miss Hazel Thompson. Readings will be given by Mrs. W. C. Cheers and Miss Evelyn Crosthwait, and story-telling will be a most interesting feature. Miss Georgia Lofton and Miss O. L. Lischey, city school teachers, will each tell stories. The program will be presided over by Mrs. T. Clay Moore, who is chairman of the women's organization.

The night horse show will doubtless draw one of the biggest crowds of any night of the fair, it being estimated that many negro exhibitors will be on hand. The program consists of five classes and the prizes offered are for cash, with no entry fees. The entries for this event are also being made at the negro board of trade, or with Chairman Napier.

The day has been very effectively advertised by speakers at many negro conventions and county fairs throughout the state and also through much literature sent in all directions of the state by the chairman and secretary of "negro day." Besides the state fair management has also aided in working up interest for this special day in numerous ways.

Negro day at the Louisiana State Fair will be long remembered by the members of the Smart Set Company. It is seldom that a bunch of itinerant players is privileged to crowd so much genuine amusement into one day. Upon arriving in Shreveport, La., I found a note awaiting me from Mr Ehrlich, manager of the Grand Opera House, requesting me to call at the office. I did so and he informed me that the colored people of Shreveport earnestly desired the Smart Set Company to participate in their grand street parade. Later in the day a committee of the most prominent colored business men called at the car and extended us a cordial invitation to take part in the street parade and be their guests at the fair grounds. We gladly accepted. With the assistance of Mr. Corwell we arranged for the company to occupy a large tally-ho, decorated with flags and banners and drawn by four coal black horses.

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The parade was scheduled to start at 9:00 a. m. sharp. We succeeded in arousing all members of the company in time to reach the place of starting at 9:30 a. m. The procession began moving at 10:30 promptly, thereby establishing a local record for getting off on time.

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The parade was a credit to the colored people of Shreveport. Manager Ehrlich said it surpassed any white parade ever given in the city. There were various floats, carriages and automobiles, most of them beautifully decorated. Many fraternal orders with their uniform ranks were in line. Under the direction of J. S. Williams, as Grand Marshal, with Fred Stuman and R. S. Player as aides, all mounted, the parade, which was more than a mile in length, moved along with regularity and commanded the favorable attention of the citizens, white and colored, who thronged the sidewalks along the line of march.

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Churches, schools, hospitals and other organizations took part in the demonstration and a matter of particular commendation was that those participating were appropriately dressed for the occasion. And we learned that most of the horses, autos, carriages and other property in the procession were owned by Negroes. Two splendid bands furnished the music.

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Following the first band were two automobiles with officers of the Business Men's League, which organization was very active in preparing the program. Many members marched. Following them were members of the Caddo Enterprise No. 3909, under the direction of F. O. Butler, noble grand. In full uniform and proper paraphernalia, were representatives of the Progressive Fraternal Union, led by W. H. Hadley, carrying sword and demonstrating that the men were proficiently drilled.

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Another section represented religious organizations, including the Avenue Baptist church and Sunday school and the St. Paul church and Sunday school. Both churches were represented by beautiful floats. The St. James church was represented by the pastor, Rev. Josiah Obey, and officers.

Two hospitals were also represented, with nurses on floats. The Mercy Sanitarium and the Turner Sanitarium. The nurses looked like sweet, ministering angels in their uniform of immaculate white.

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The public schools had a number of features, some showing manual training and domestic classes at work. The boys were shown in housebuilding and shop tasks, while the girls' classes were shown receiving instructions in sewing, cooking and other practical work.

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Led by Rev. J. M. Carter, the Baptist Ministers' Association had a prominent section in the procession. Other local organizations in line were the Grand Circle and the Home Circle, benevolent bodies. J. S. Williams and Mr. Cook, local business men, were represented by splendid outfits.

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Some of the banners carried had unique and significant inscriptions. One read "We are here to stay because you need us." Another "We're only fifty years old, What will fifty more bring?" Still another read: "It is the duty of the mighty to help the weak." One tottering old gentleman held a banner which read: "Thirty-five years porter for the leading grocers of Shreveport." Another: "You'll never know what we can do 'till you give us the chance."

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After the parade nearly all took special train to the Fair Grounds. The program there started with an address by Rev. J. M. Hubbard. Others participating were Dr. D. A. Smith, Dr. W. M. Wallace, J. M. Hubbard, Dr. G. A. Cain and J. S. Williams.

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The Negro exhibit was splendid. The judlges evidently did not show partiality, for many red and blue ribbons were distributed among the colored exhibits. A better baby show attracted much interest.

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The races, sports and specially arranged exhibitions attracted an immense crowd to the grand stand. Chas. Edwards, better known as the "Black Prince," was the official announcer and starter. All horses entered were owned and driven by colored men. First race, free-for-all pace, was won by Carter H. Hatcher & Catlin, with Sam Featherstone second, Bennett driver. Race was run in 2:30. Second race, free-for-all trot, won by Doctor Slipper, H. A. Conner driver. Speedy Girl second, driven by Hutchison. Time, 2:25.

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Between the races there were many exciting exhibitions, the high-diving horse and the aero-plane, with D. Lloyd Thompson doing a blood-curdling loop-the-loop, 700 feet above the ground, held the spectators spellbound. Mr. Thompson, with his aeroplane, created an amusing diversion and showed what part the aeroplane may play in wartimes. A local company of colored soldiers were drilling within the oval of the race-track. This happened to be the starting ground for the aeroplane. The captain of the company was putting his men through many intricate maneuvers unheedful that the aeroplane was about to make an ascent. The aeroplane was about a hundred yards from the company. It gathered momentum and left the ground about 50 feet from the company. Instead of Mr. Thompson shooting his machine up into the air, he, evidently with malicious intent, just skimmed the heads of the men, when directly above them, he wobbled the machine, and then and there was created a new command, which meant "duck." The men lost no time in compliance. Each man dug his own trench. They fell as one man and burrowed like ground moles, while the aeroplane glided as gracefully as an eagle into the hazy atmosphere of the evening sky. The grandstands were in an uproar of laughter which reached its climax when some one called out: "Behold the downfall of the black regiment."

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The auto races were indeed thrilling. Three world's records were broken for dirt track exhibitions. L. Disbrow, holder of three world championships for dirt tracks, lowered his own record in several blood-curdling, spine-chilling, nerve-racking trials.

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William Blackman, a colored automobilist, was defeated in a match race with the champion Disbrow. Mr. Blackman is from one of the best families of Shreveport and drove a car constructed by his own hands. The race was a nip and tuck affair, and displayed the utter fearlessness of the drivers. Champion Disbrow owes his victory to the fact that his was a six-cylinder car of 120 horse power, while Blackman's car was a three-cylinder one, with only 60 horse power.

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A white officer informed us that Negro Day was the only one of the fair that his men had not made an arrest. The colored people were remarkably well behaved, stylishly dressed and good-natured. There was not a single disturbance or one case of drunkenness upon the grounds. The white officials of the fair were elated upon the success of the venture and are going to make Negro Day at the Louisiana State Fair a permanent yearly event.

STATE FAIR A FAILARE.

Macon, Ga., December 10.—On account of the almost continual rain the annual Georgia Colored State Fair was not a financial success this year. President Wright says that the loss will not deter those interested from trying to ... a bigger display next year.

MACON COUNTY MINISTERS

Doubtless you have heard the story of the white preacher out in northwestern Missouri, who, on taking charge of a country church found it necessary to do a little more than the preacher who preceeded him did. For example, after a careful study he found that his attendance was poor, in many cases because the roads were bad, so he organized a "Good Roads" Club among his members and worked the roads leading to the church. As a result of this effort, in five years, this community alone has twenty-six miles of good roads. . . .

This preacher made further investigation and found that the farmers did not get enough recreation and real wholesome pleasure, so he organized a gun or shooting club for the older men, base ball teams for the young men and similar sports for the women. He also found that the farmers were laboring too long and too hard for the amount they got out of the soil. Experience taught him that this was due to bad farm practice and poor over-cropped lands. Thus he realized that if he stayed among these people his two major tasks would be to "Save Souls and Soils."

To make the story short, the campaign entered upon five years ago has revolutionized a community, and the church is having a large congregation every Sunday. I quote this preacher: "It's a poor sort of a pastor who does all of his preaching from the pulpit and who can see no farther than the church yard fence."

I write you because I have a most profound reverence for the ministry and the church too, I realize that you have people under your control to a great extent. This being true, will you use your influence in encouraging the farmers, their wives and children to attend the Macon County Agricultural and Industrial Fair which convenes next fall, November 3rd through November 6th?

We plan to have a new feature, this year, an exhibit devoted entirely to the intersst of the rural church and we earnestly hope that you not only send your congregation but come yourself.

Yours truly,

T. M. Campbell, Disrict Agent.

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"SELF HELP AND SELF RELIANCE"

Neccessary to Continued Race Developement, Says President Berry O'Kelley

OPENS 36TH CAROLINA FAIR

Declares Hardships and Difficulties of Race are "Real Tests of Real Worth"

The Journal and Guide 10/31/14.

(By T. L. McCoy.)

Releigh, N. C., October 27.—The thirty-sixth annual Fair and exhibition of the North Carolina Industrial Association opened today under most favorable circumstances. A large assortment of splendid exhibits are placed in Floral Hall at the State Fair Grounds, and the opening attendance indicates that this year's fair will be a record breaker.

The principal feature of to-day's program was the address of President Berry O'Kelley in formally opening the Fair. Mr. O'Kelley said:

Ladies and Gentlemen: "Lest we forget" I again call your attention to the fact that, thirty-five years ago in the month of February, 1879, The North Carolina Industrial Association was organized. The first Fair was opened November 17th, of that year in the presence of a great concourse of people of all colors, all classes and all creeds. The great Governor of our great State, his excellency, Thomas J. Jarvis, honored the occasion with his presence and delivered the opening address. Thirty-five years have passed. This Association still lives and has been in active service during all these years.

To-day we are here to open its thirty-sixth Fair. The occasion is propitious. The memories that cluster it around are inspiring. The achievements that it brings us should nerve us for still greater things. The possibilities which open before us give hope and courage. I greet you with happy auguries The skies are bright, and are growing brighter. On all sides are to be witnessed the most eloquent evidences of Negro progress. In education we have lowered our illiteracy from 100 per cent in 1863 to less than 30 per cent in 1914. In the industrial arts the forward movement has been scarcely less gratifying. In the field of agriculture the Negro has awakened to new life within the decade just past and is still making steady advances both in ownership of the soil and in its scientific cultivation. The religious and moral life of the race have also taken a higher form.

I might enumerate the particulars and marshall figures into glowing statistics, but the limit set for this service will not permit. I am simply directing your attention to these facts in hope of stirring you to more vigorous efforts, more determined purposes, and higher resolves. We have done much. We can do much more. As we exercise our own powers of self help and self reliance we not only become stronger, but attract to our support these outside agencies which are always responsive to heroic self-sacrifice. There is no occasion for discouragement. We live in a friendly clime. We are blessed with many happy conditions. We are in the midst of, and in line with, a conquering civilization. We are living side by side with a great race of people. They are powerful. They are our friends. We can cement that friendship more firmly by being true to ourselves. The white race in the South cannot ascend without drawing the black race up with it. The black race cannot rise without lifting the white race which is the upper strata. The one cannot be kept down without the other staying down with it. If we have hardships to overcome, all the better for us. If we have difficulties to surmount, it is well that it is so. If at times, we have to row our little boat against adverse winds and strong currents, the gain in the end will be ours. Neither individuals nor races can ever amount to much in the absence of such conditions. They are real tests of real worth

Again permit me to extend to each of you and those who are to visit this Fair a most cordial greeting. I now declare the thirty-sixth annual Fair of the North Carolina Industrial Association duly opened.

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THE NEGRO FAIR OPENS TUESDAY

Exhibition Will Be Formally Opened With Address by C T. Walker at 12 O'Clock.

PRIZE DRILL WEDNESDAY

Friday Will Be Children's Day — Parade in Business District Tuesday Morning. Busy Day Tomorrow Placing the Exhibits.

(By Silas X. Floyd.)

Off with one fair, on with another. The white fair ends, the negro fair begins.

Tuesday morning at 10 o'clock the gates will open for the seventh annual negro fair, and at 12 o'clock noon on Tuesday the opening exercises will take place in the grandstand.

Walker's Address.

Rev. G. W. Harrison, one of the vice-presidents, will preside during the opening exercises and will introduce Dr. C. T. Walker, the orator of the day. Dr. Walker has been the president of the Negro Fair Association from the beginning, and under his direction from year to year the organization has marched from one success to another. The addresses of Dr. Walker on opening day at the negro fair are always looked forward to with eager expectations, and they never fail to draw large crowds of both city and country folk, white and colored. Every one stops when Dr. Walker speaks, and all roads lead to the grandstand. This year, it is anticipated that his address will be along practical lines, dealing especially with the depressed conditions in this country consequent upon the European war. I want to urge as strongly as I can all who happen to see these lines to make it a point to be at the fair grounds on opening day and hear Dr. Walker's speech It will be well worth your while. Special provision will be made for the white people.

Races First Day.

Following the opening address will come the horse show, which will consume only about a half-hour. At 2 o'clock on opening day, a splendid series of trotting races will be put on. This is the first year that the negro fair has put on races on the opening day, and I wish to call the especial attention of the so-called "sporting element" to the fact that there will be three days' racing at the negro fair this year, instead of two. The races will begin the first day, and the races will begin every day at 2 o'clock sharp, so that the racing card can be completed in time to give the folks some little time on the midway before dark, as a great many of our patrons will not have time to stay and take in the midway at night.

The Week's Program.

Wednesday morning at 11 o'clock the grand Knights of Pythias prize drill will take place; Wednesday at 2 o'clock, horse races will begin; Wednesday afternoon at 4 o'clock the baby show will take place in the woman's department. Thursday is football day, and the game this year will be between Paine and Haines, the same teams which have played such scientific games for the negro fair in the past. Friday is Children's Day and there will be a junior football game in the morning, together with other outdoor sports, and in the afternoon at 2 o'clock, the third and last day's races will take place. There will be racing every day at the negro fair, excepting Thursday only.

Prices, Etc.

Regular admission will be twenty-five cents each day for adults, and fifteen cents for children under 14. After 6 p. m. each day, everybody will be admitted for ten cents each. The gates will open at 10 a. m. each day and close at 10 p. m. On opening day—Tuesday—all children will be admitted free. The same rule will hold good on Friday, which will be children's day. Special provision will be made for school children who are more than 14 on Football Day, but tickets at the reduced prices will have to be purchased at the schools and not at the fair grounds. The public schools will close at 1 p. m. on Friday, October 30th in honor of Children's Day at the negro fair. Exhibitors are not admitted free, but season tickets will be sold to them at the grounds by A. B. Berrien, assistant secretary, at reduced rates.

A Word to Exhibitors.

All local exhibitors, including nearby farmers in Georgia and South Carolina, are urged to get their exhibits to the grounds so that they can be properly handled and properly placed in time for the opening day. Exhibitors in the woman's department are warned that positively nothing will be entered for competition after 3 p. m. Tuesday. If articles arrive after that hour they may be placed on exhibition, but the judges will not be asked to consider them in the competitive classes. It is absolutely necessary to make some such rule as this for the protection of our patrons, and also to facilitate the handling of exhibits and the getting of them placed in time.

Additional Donations.

During the week, the following white citizens have contributed towards the prizes in the corn show and agricultural department, giving either money or merchandise: Mr. William P. White of the Augusta Stock Yards Company, Mr. Landon A. Thomas, Mr. T. S. Raworth, Swan-Edwards Company, F. G. Mertins, Maxwell Brothers, Mr. T. I. Hickman, Hon. George R. Lombard, Mr. Warren Walker and Mr. H. H. Alexander. The city officials and the police department have also agreed to render our association the same invaluable help we have always received at their hands. We are grateful always for the continued help and co-operation of the leading white business men and city officials in Augusta. Augusta is the best town in the world for colored people. The good white people here show their interest in and sympathy for the negroes in all that concerns their moral, material and educational betterment. I have been living here for forty-five years, and I would not live anywhere else. Augusta is the best place on the globe for colored people.

Ready to Begin.

The Second Regiment Band, in charge of Noble P. Willis, will render the music for us this year, as heretofore. Tuesday morning they will parade in Campbell to Broad and down Broad to the Confederate monument, where a half-hour's band concert will be given prior to the departure of the special car for the fair grounds. The special car furnished by the Augusta-Aiken Railway & Electric Corporation will leave the monument promptly at 12 o'clock noon. The ministers of the city will accompany the negro fair board on the trip to the fair grounds, and will be the guests of the association during the day. Lest any one of the negro preachers may have been omitted in the invitations extended through the mails, I beg to say now that every colored minister in the city of every denomination is included in this notice, and we hope all will join us.

Look out for the crowd Tuesday morning when the band begins to play.

Off with one fair, on with another. The white fair ended yesterday, the negro fair begins Tuesday.

THE COLORED FAIR AT TASLEY VIRGINIA

(By W. F. Young.)

The Journal and Guide 11/27/14

Our last trip in the interest of the Journal and Guide was over on Eastern Shore Virginia where we visited the Central Agricultural Fair which is owned and operated annually by a colored Association. This association owns a sixty acre tract of land valued at $8000, upon which they have a splendid Fair Ground conveniently located at

Tasley Accomac County, on the N. Y. P. and N. Rail Road.

This is one of the most profitable and business like interprises we have witnessed, owned and operated exclusively by colored men.

We were informed that management has been perfect and entirely satisfactory to the Association for several years.

The management are men of well known business capacity reliable and they own real estate and have bank accounts which guarantees their responsibility. The officers in charge are B. F. Wharton, Pres.

Robert Hall vice president, J. M. Hall, Sec., Major Conquest, Treasurer.

Mr. B. F. Wharton, the president is in every way well equipped for the important position he holds, he is very intellegent and is endowed with great executive ability. He owns real-estate worth $8,000, and does a real estate business of $2,000 or more.

Mr. A. S. West, a prominent member of the board own a farm worth $5,000 and he does a Mercantile business of $10,000, a year. J. M. Hall the secretary, is a man of great business capacity he handles very intelligently the books and records of the Fair Association. Mr. Robert Hall, member of the Board owns a farm worth $6,000 and does also a profitable real-estate business. Mr. Major Conquest the Treasurer, is a man of means and great business ability he handles and safely guards the money of the association. There is not a more probitable interprise owned and conducted by the colored people than the "Central Agricutural Fair." Gross receipts for the 1913 Fair, was $3,500 and it paid a dividend of 35 per cent. The visitors averaged abput 7,000 people per day. The stock, poultry Ladies hand work, fruits and farm products were as fine as any we have seen on exhibition.

The following are names of men on the Board of Directors: J. F. Wharton A. S. West, J. H. Joyners, Dr. West, Charlie Corner, P. E. Wharton Geo. Conquest, B. T. Coard, Henry Savage, Wm. Savage, Robert Hall, and James Cutter.

and C. H. Hauser on the Lexington Road, both of whom are industrious, substantial farmers are at the head of this department and receiving hearty support and co-operation of the colored farmers. This is as it should be, so that the colored farmers may have a chance to display their finest products, their best cattle, hogs and poultry.

The colored women have long been noted for cooking especially such things as bread, cakes and making preserves, quilts and other attractive handwork. This will be a good chance to display them.

There will be a baby show for all the colorded people, near and far. Its object is to teach the proper care of babies and better sanitary conditions in the home. It is expected that every baby around, not over eighteen months old will be in the show.

There is the horse show and the drill for fraternal orders such as the military organizations connected with the Pythians and Odd Fellows. The prizes for educational exhibit are many and equal for rural and city schools.

Liberal premiums in cash and merchandise are offered which amount to more than two thousand dollars.

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GETTING READY FOR WINSTON-SALEM FAIR

Over Two Thousand Dollars Offered in Premiums to Exhibitors

(Special to Journal and Guide)

Winston, N. C.—J. W. Paisley, the secretary of the Colored Piedmont Fair, states that great preparations are being made to hold its annual session during October 13, 14, 15, 16, at Piedmont Park, this city. The premium list is ready and is being distributed which is a booklet of fifty-six pages. Nearly two thousand dollars are offered for agricultural products.

William Dalton near Rural Hall

AT THE NEGRO FAIR THE BIGGEST DAY YET

In Football Game Dispute Arose and Game Forfeited to Haines School—Today Last Day.

(By Silas X. Floyd.)

The third day of the negro fair—football day—was all that could have been asked. The day was fair, sunny and warm, and the crowd was very large and very orderly. It was a perfect spring day in midautumn, and all the colored people were out in holiday attire—indeed they were.

The football game betwen Paine and Haines, which was witnessed by nearly 3,000 people, was won by Haines School.

The referee was Mr. T. D. Caswell, the umpire was Mr. E. J. Watkins, the field judge was Mr. A. B. O'Connor, and the headlinesman was Mr. Will Gary.

The decisions of the officials were fair and impartial, but, when the score was 14 to 6 in favor of Haines, a five-yards penalty was put upon Paine for an off-side play and the Paine team was ordered by their captain from the field in the beginning of the last quarter, and the game was forfeited. The score was 1 to 0 in favor of Haines School.

The football was presented to Captain Sims, proxy for Captain Jackson, of the winning team, by Dr. G. H. Stoney, representing the fair association. Captain Jackson got hurt during the game and had to retire.

Today Last Day.

Today is the last day of the fair, and we want our friends to stand by us to the end. We close at 10 p. m. tonight. Exhibitors are urged to call for their exhibits any time after 12 o'clock noon. We want as many of the things removed Friday afternoon as possible, so as to lessen the work on Saturday.

Today there will be a junior football game between the Haines and Paine elevens, and at 2 p. m., there will be racing. Yesterday afternoon Chairman Johnson and the racing committee met and decided not to put on the free-for-all race today, but instead the race will be restricted to local horses only, and only certain horses will be allowed to enter—horses more nearly equal and in the same class than was the case on Wednesday afternoon. This insures closer races and more interest.

The Thanks of the Negroes.

In advance, before we close, we want to thank everybody. We have done well, and we have done well because the folks have helped us so generously. More than 500 whites were on the grounds yesterday and nearly 4,000 negroes.

Birmingham, Ala.

LEDGER

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NEGRO EXHIBIT HIGHLY PRAISED

Many Negro Schools Have Displays and All Receive Favorable Comment

One of the most interesting departments of the big Alabama State Fair is the negro exhibit. This feature of the Alabama fair has attracted considerable attention and much favorable comment. A tent, 40 by 80, has been erected near the roller coaster which has been set aside for the negro department. All of the colored schools of the state have splendid exhibits in this department.

Dr. U. G. Mason, one of the most prominent negro physicians in the state is director of the negro department of the fair and he and his assistants are being congratulated by all who visit this department on the splendid showing made by the negroes of Alabama. The exhibit tent is in charge of courteous negroes.

It has been announced that on Negro day the Tuskegee Institute band will render a special musical program. One of the most interesting articles on exhibits is a complete set of hand made furniture made by students of the industrial high school without the use of tools. Among the many articles on exhibit made by the students of the negro schools are hats, baskets, pine straw mats and mat platters.

Among the schools that have exhibits are the Tittersville school, the Tuggle institute, Lane grammar school, Slater school, Cameron school, Pratt school, Ensley school, Miles Memorial, Central Alabama college, St. Mark's school.

A number of women's clubs have exhibit booths in this department. Among the clubs that have creditable exhibts are Alpha Art club, Woodlawn club, Sempi Fidelia and Twentieth Century club.

Splendid Collections.

The agricultural section of the negro department is filled with splendid collections of Jefferson county grown products, which show that the negro truck farmers of this coluny are progressive and successful truck growers.

In the canning department there are all kinds of preserved fruits and canned vegetables on exhibit, which speaks well for the exhiibtors.

A booth of porch swings and wash boards made by a negro of Ensley, is worthy of special mention. Another booth of fancy and crochet work exhibited by an Ensley negro has attracted considerable attention.

The millinery exhibits are also worthy of special notice. Among the other features among the exhibits are dry cleaning, dress making, shoe making and repairing and most features which demonstrate the progress that the negroes are making. The negro department is one well worth a visit.

MEMPHIS COMMERCIAL APPEAL

September 1914

NEGRO FAIR NOW READY.

Exhibits of Race of Work to Be Shown—Opens Oct. 8.

Preparations have been completed for the negro Tri-State Fair, which will open here on Oct. 8 for two days. Those in charge of operating the fair are Dr. E. W. Irving, president; Dr. L. G. Patterson, secretary, and the Rev. T. O. Fuller, treasurer, of the negro Tri-State Fair Association.

Several of the exhibits will show work in domestic science, agriculture, poultry and live stock. The fair is expected to be one of the most successful in years.

NEGRO STATE FAIR IS OPENED AT MACON

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Macon, Ga., November 18.—(Special.)—The negro state fair had its formal opening here today, following a street parade.

The exercises marking the formal opening of the fair were conducted by Bishop Holsey, of Atlanta, who made an interesting address.

Mayor Bridges Smith, of Macon, sent an interesting letter to President R. R. Wright, of Savannah, which was read to the crowd assembled at the fair grounds. The fair will continue for ten days and it is a creditable display.

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WHAT NEGRO FAIR TEACHES NEGROES

Rev. C. T. Walker, Colored, and His Talk to the Colored People at the Opening of Negro Fair Last Week.

The talk of Rev. C. T. Walker, colored, at the opening of the negro fair last week, was quite interesting, so much so that a report of it, by Rev. Silas X. Floyd, colored, is given publication:

Among other things Dr. Walker said:

"For the seventh time, I am permitted at an annual fair of the Negro Fair Association to thank you friends for your presence and to express to you in behalf of our board of directors, our sincere thanks for your sympathy and support.

"And for the seventh year it is my privilege today to renew our thanks to all those who have made contributions towards the success of our organization—to the president and the secretary, and the board of the Georgia-Carolina Fair Association, to the street railway company and to the newspapers especially.

"I don't know any other place in the world where an institution of this kind, managed by colored people could get as much free advertising as we de here in Augusta. Certainly it could not be done with any of the metropolitan journals. If we had to pay for all the free advertising we get, it would bankrupt our organization.

"And then we must not fail to thank the merchants and business men of the white race in this community who have contributed money and merchandise to be used as prizes in some of our departments. There are some men in this town who have helped us every year, and some who send their checks right along every year whether we make a direct appeal to them or not. It is a great blessing to live among such people.

"We also must give our heartiest thanks to the people who have sent exhibits to the fair this year. The colored people are just beginning to learn what they are capable of doing—they are just beginning to understand their possibilities. The negro fair has taught them that they can make bread, that they can raise hogs and horses, and cows, chickens, pet stock, etc. And if you haven't got anything else to exhibit we want you to come and exhibit yourselves. And that is really the best exhibit you can make anyhow. Good behavior goes a long way, and we are noted here at our fair for our good order and good behavior. We give the policemen less trouble than the white folks do.

"I have talked to you so many times that I hardly know what to say to you today, and I have made up my mind to cut through the woods and hit whatever I can. My general subject today is the benefits of fairs; but I do not promise you that I am going to stick to it.

The Good of Fairs.

"So many people say that fairs are no good—that they do no good—and that they are a drain on the people and I thought I would point out today some of the benefits of fairs.

"In the first place, fairs bring folks together. When folks meet together in large numbers as we do here at this fair, it broadens our acquaintance and adds to our general information. The pleasure of meeting folks, of talking with them, and exchanging views with them is a great blessing. This getting together tends to unite people—to make them more friendly, and in that way fairs do great good.

"In the second place, fairs help people to discover their powers and capabilities. We are a very imitative people. When I lived in New York for five years as a pastor there, I never would go in a restaurant unless I saw some colored people in there. If I saw one colored man in there, then I knew I could go in. The negroes are not inspired one-half so much by what white people do as they are by what colored people do. Every negro thinks that he can do what any other negro does. And there are a whole lot of people who started in to raising horses when they saw other negroes raising horses and bringing them to our fair and exhibiting them, and also racing them on the track here. Today some of these men who had no horses when we started seven years ago have colts that they are selling for $400 and $500. It is the same way with chickens—poultry raising; some folks who didn't know they could raise chickens before have found it out as a result of our annual fairs, and a lot of them are today first-class chicken raisers, because they got the inspiration at our fair.

"In the third place, fairs are of special import to the children—to the young. Fairs go a long way towards teaching the people, the young people, not to scorn the farm and farm-life. Fairs teach boys that it is better to stay on the farm and make an honest living than to come to town and loaf and get on the chain-gang, and then go from the chain-gang to hell.

"In the fourth place, fairs are an educative force for all classes. They teach proficiency and efficiency. Fairs teach the folks that we are raising too much cotton and not enough foodstuffs. The folly of raising so much cotton and not enough meat can be seen just by one plain illustration. When a farmer brings his cotton to town, he asks the cotton factor, "What will you give me for it?" And when the farmer goes to the merchant to buy meat, he doesn't ask the merchant, "What will you take for your bacon?" but he asks, "What do you sk for meat?" The farmer has got learn to raise something that he set the price on and stop raising so much stuff that he is to sell whatever he can get. We ought raise pigs; we ought to raise peas; ought to raise chickens and eggs. e ought to plant corn and oats and rley and wheat.

"And then fairs teach people the sson of usefulness and optimism. he climatic conditions of the South re unsurpassed; no place on the lobe is so highly favored as the outh. And in the South the colored an has opportunities that he does ot find anywhere else—opportunities o earn a living, opportunities to wn and conduct farms, opportunities o go into business for himself. We hust get rid of the notion that the outh can't get along without us. hat's a lie. There are numerous laces on the globe where they never aw a black man. All the splendid ivilization of Europe, now battered y the cruel hand of war, was built p by other races than the black ace. We must learn that by usefulness, efficiency, honesty and reliability, we must make ourselves indispensable to the South. or else we will have to move out.

What the Negro Must Learn.

"Now, my friends, today, as in other years, there are some things which our race must learn and there re some things which our race must lo. And we ought to learn those hings at this fair.

"The negro race is on trial. What ne negro does affects the whole race. When a negro does anything wrong e pulls the whole race down. The egro must have the highest regard or law and order, and even then he oes well to get by. We have also ot to believe in practical Christianty. We must quit trying to be indels and sceptics; we must stop as race trying to turn our backs on he church. The church is God's holy ill; it is the gateway to heaven. When God wants to increase the opulation of heaven, he goes to the hurch, and he goes to the chaingang, he barroom, the gambling den and he penitentiary when he wants to inrease the population of hell. Rome, Babylon and Greece went down because they forgot God. And, for myself, I think I see in the present devastating world-war in Europe the hand of Jehovah. Germany, as is well known, is the home of higher criticism and of that philosophy which teaches that there is no God; Russia with her 173,000,000 people, has been unspeakably cruel to the Jews, and the cries of the Jewish exiles have reached the burning throne of God; a few years ago, Belgium was cutting off the hands and toes of poor heathen in Africa, because they did not gather enough rubber to satisfy the greed of the old King Leopold; and France herself prophesied a hundred years ago, through her Voltaire, that religion would in a century's time be extinct, and that there would not be a Bible in existence; and England, too, which makes a great pretense of being just has been unmerciful of her treatment of the Boers and the natives in South Africa; and I believe that by the red hand of war—as terrible as the scourge may be—God is preparing to overthrow autocracy and despotism in Europe, and give Jesus Christ a chance.

"We thank God that America is a Christian nation—that in our land we have churches and schools—that here the fatherood of God is recognized, and human brotherhood is indorsed. Idleness, ignorance and anarchy go together. The man who works, the woman who works—those who make their living by the sweat of their brow are God Almighty's kings and queens, and should be accordingly honored and praised.

The Hard Times Cry.

"In conclusion, let us stop this old lie about hard times. We are better off today, most of us, than we ever were before. We have got more to eat and more to wear, and we are living in better homes than we have ever lived in before in all our life. My friends, we can make hard times by talking hard times—did you know that? We can say it so often, and say it so loud, that after a time we will all come to believe almost anything, even though the whole thing might be a complete hallucination. Let us begin today to talk good times, and if we can not talk of the good times that are already here, let us begin to talk of the good times that are to come, and good times will soon return. Let this hopeful, optimistic note ring out from our gathering here this week, and in this way we will help ourselves and help the whole state of Georgia. Let us speak well of our town or get out; let us speak well of our state or get out; let us speak well of our race, or leave it. And every man who is ashamed of being a negro, ought to be given a letter of dismissal from the race. Let us go forth today to give the name negro a new designation, a new meaning. We can do it by our conduct, and by the work in which we are engaged. May God bless you, every one."

NORTH CAROLINA INDUSTRIAL FAIR

Governor Craig and Dr. Booker T. Washington Will be Among This Year's Speakers

(Special to Journal and Guide.)

The Journal and Guide July 31/14

Raleigh, N. C. October 1st. Dr. John H. Love, secretary, announces that arrangements are complete for the great Negro State Fair, Race Meet and Annual Home Coming, which will be held here October 26th, to 31st. During the week there will be an educational conference, a Farmers' meeting and a meeting of the State Negro Business Men League. Governor Locke Craig will speak on Farmers' Day and Dr. Booker T. Washington has been invited to speak on Educational Day.

Last year the fair was attended by more than thirty thousand visitors. The attendance this year is expected to be larger on account of the increased interest and the number of important events that will take place in connection with the fair.

LUVERNE, ALABAMA

August 6, 1914.

Prof. Rakestraw visited us on the above named date at Athens, just four miles east of Luverne. There were nearly three hundred people out to hear him. After devotional exercises Mr. E. F. Foster introduced Mr. Rakestraw to the congregation. He then spoke very impressively upon "The Importance of Business Principles in Farming." He emphasized staying on the farm and raising everything that we use. Make a business of it just as in other vocations of life. The lecture was very inspiring and the people showed their appreciation by much applause. There were a number of white people out who made some very encouraging remarks. Among them were, Mr. James McDougal, Justice of the Peace; Mr. I. F. Williams, Mr. Willie Floyd, Mr. B. Floyd, and Mr. John King. They commended Prof. Rakestraw for the work he is doing among his people and said he should come once a month and give such lectures among the people.

Some of the leading colored farmers gave helpful talks of their early experiences in accumulating property. Mr. Frank Stringer, who owns 273 1-4 acres of land, made some very encouraging remarks. Many others would have spoken but time would not permit.

After dinner was served we reassembled. The ladies were given an opportunity. Mrs. Susan Smith, Mrs. Ola Smith and Mrs. Burnett made a few remarks. They said they have nice gardens and a number of chickens.

Mr. Henry Height, Mr. S. C. Smith Mr. Clem Jackson and Miss Gracie Ginwright made remarks.

We hope to be represented at the

State Fair in October. A committee was appointed to get our exhibit ready for the Crenshaw County Booth.

Collection. $4.15.

LEXINGTON, Ky.

Herald

SEP 8 - 1914

SACRED FAIR WILL BEGIN THIS MORNING

First Class Band Employed and Usual Good Races Will Be Given

The Colored Agricultural and Mechanical Fair Association will open its annual exhibit this morning. The People's Band, of Dayton, O., one of the leading colored musical organizations in the country, will furnish the music. They arrived early yesterday afternoon and busied themselves during the afternoon giving concerts at a number of places and paying The Herald the compliment of a serenade The band has a singer also.

They came down on a special car over the L. & N., having a party of fifty people.

The colored fair has had an uninterrupted successful career of many years, neevr having failed to hold a fair since its organization, despite the fact that a number of white fairs have been organized and given up during this length of time.

Entries for the 2:25 trot Tuesday, September 8, at the Colored A. and M. Fair follows:

Peter Alexander, br s, by Peter the Great—Cecil Alexander, entered by Isaac Tacker; Pollie Petin, blk m, by Todd Mack, entered by Hiram Burns; Arlie R., b m, by Aqueline—Marguerite Bathgate, entered by Morton Generals; Royal Spring, br s, by Morgan Axworthy—Blue Spring Girl, entered by John Brown ;Peter Suffolk, ch s, by Peter the Great, entered by Ed Willis.

The record entries at the colored fair follows:

To beat 2:30¼ trot—Madza, b f, by Peter the Great, dam by Rosita.

To beat 2:30¼ trot—Parrot Worthy, ch c, by Axworthy, dam by Glenartney.

To beat 2:25¼ pace—Black Bess, b m, by Tregantle, dam Rose Freeman.

First two owned by J. M. Johnson, Lawrenceburg, Ky. Third owned by J. V. Morris, Cleveland, O. Entered by E. M. Allen.

To beat 2:30 trot—Helen E., ch f, by Mainleaf, dam Belle Curry. Owner J. R. Magowan, Mt. Sterling, Ky. Drvier, Curry.

To beat 2:30¼ trot—Rosa Bond, b f (2), by Peter the Great, dam Rosa Lake by The Bondsman. Owner, J. Snell. Driver, Curry.

To beat 2:10 trot—Lady Greengoods, b m, by Peter the Great, dam Coocom. Entered by Patchen Wilkes Stock Farm.

To beat 2:30¼ trot—Signola, br c, by Ecko Todd 2:14¾, dam Yacatala, by Arion 2:07¾. Owner, J. L. Tarlton. Driver, H. C. Moody.

To beat 2:30¼ trot—Baron Watts, b c (3), by General Watts, dam Baroness Hanley; General Bledsoe, c (2), by General Watts,d am Improviso; Dodie Brown, f (2), by General Watts, dam Clayo.

To beat 2:20—Doris Watts, b f (3), by General Watts, dam Bingen.

To beat 2:15¾—Allen Watts, ch c (2), by General Watts, dam Allen Lowe.

To beat 2:13¾—Rose Watts, b f (2), by General Watts, dam May Stewart.

Owner, General C. C. Watts, Charleston, W. Va. Driver, Zack Chandler.

COLORED STATE FAIR BIGGER AND BETTER THAN EVER THIS YEAR

Constitution 10-25-14

Macon, Ga., October 4.—(Special.)—At the colored state fair, which will be held in Macon November 18-28, attention will be given to farming and cattle raising, and all the colored farmers who attend will be urged to raise less cotton next year and more foodstuffs, more hogs and more cattle. The colored farmers are quite a factor in Georgia and if they will turn their attention to the diversification of the crops a long step will have been taken in the right direction.

President R. R. Wright, of the colored state fair, announces that all arrangements for the fair have been completed and that there will be more exhibits and a larger premium list this year than ever before. The most liberal premiums are offered for staple products of the farm, such as corn, potatoes, oats, rye, rice, cotton, vegetables of all kinds, mules, horses and hogs. In addition to these, there are premiums for domestic work. Colored farmers and their wives are urged to bring their exhibits to the fair. Enter everything that is considered worthy of a premium and some farmer from this section may win several of the premiums.

The amusement features this year are also better than ever. The famous roller coaster, which will be used during the white state fair, has been leased, and it will prove quite an attraction. It is the biggest roller coaster ever seen in the south. It cost $8,000, and will be kept in Macon as a permanent amusement. The midway will be crowded with all kinds of high-class amusements, and there will be the motordrome, Ferris wheel, ocean wave and in addition to all these there will be horse racing that will be well worth a special trip to the fair to see.

Negro Fair at Augusta.

Augusta, Ga., October 27.—(Special.)—The negro fair opened its gates this morning for four days. Many of the exhibits from the fair last week will be left for the colored people to inspect. There will be racing, prize drills and football and a midway, and the colored population will no doubt spend both time and money at the fair grounds this week.

B. T. WASHINGTON OPENS NEGRO FAIR IN SOUTH GEORGIA

Constitution 10-23-14

Albany, Ga., October 22.—(Special.)—Booker T. Washington was the principal speaker today at the opening of the Southwest Georgia negro fair. an ambitious enterprise which is attracting widespread interest in this section of the stato. Many surrounding counties were represented by negro farmers and others, and hundreds of whites visited the grounds.

A feature of the day was a big parade, which moved through the principal streets of Albany shortly before noon. There were many creditable floats representing negro schools, fraternal orders and business concerns.

Bartow Powell, a Dougherty county negro farmer, had about fifteen wagons in line, all decorated and bearing splendid display of farm produce. One wagon bore a single bale of cotton draped in black and escorted by mournful-looking pallbearers. The wagon bore a banner on which was painted: "Sacred to the memory of 15-cent cotton."

The fair is to run ten days. Negroes are in entire control of its affairs.

Nashville Tenn. Tennessean June 5/15

PROGRAM FOR NEGRO DAY AT STATE FAIR

Many Amusement and Educational Features Are Arranged.

Much attention has been paid in the past few weeks by the state fair trustees to the plans and program for negro day at the fair this fall, and practically all of the details of this departure from the former plans have been worked out. It is announced that the program for the day has been placed almost entirely in the hands of the negro board of trade of Nashville, and the wishes of the race will be followed closely.

J. C. Napier, prominent among the negro race of Nashville, will be chairman for the day, and D. Wellington Berry will be secretary. They have already begun work in conjunction with the negro board of trade, and have reported that they will have an attendance of 50,000. The last day of the fair, or September 26, has been settled upon as negro day. Chairman Napier and probably a number of other prominent negroes of the state will be sent out on lecturing tours throughout Tennessee for the purpose of acquainting the negroes with the great educational and amusement opportunities that will be offered them at the fair. Preachers, school teachers and other leaders of the race in every community will be guests of the fair in return for urging a good attendance on negro day.

WASHINGTON TO SPEAK.

Booker T. Washington will be one of the speakers on negro day. His famous Tuskekee band of 45 pieces, one of the best bands in the country, will furnish music, and twelve or fifteen other negro bands will compete for prizes in a series of concerts.

It has been definitely decided that the fair management will retain active charge of the fair on the special day for the negroes.

Good amusement features will be carried out, but they will all be of a quiet, wholesome nature. The educational and industrial features of the fair will be brought as closely as possible to the attention of the visitors on that day.

In the Saturday, or negro day,races, negroes will drive and ride all of the horses. A number of expert negro jockeys will take part, notable among which will be several who work with William Gerst's horses in the races in the north. A number of speeches and other educational and amusement features will be given by the negroes, according to the program now being worked out.

One of the chief reasons for the addition of "negro day" to the program of the state fair this year was the sentiment of the trustees that the colored race is rightfully entitled to a portion of the advantages to be offered by the fair, inasmuch as they pay taxes and the fair is a state institution. Furthermore, the trustees realize that the negro race forms a large part of the farming and industrial strength of he state. In the past this class has not been encouraged to come to the fair and learn the approved methods of agriculture, live stock breeding, poultry culture and the other many useful arts and sciences included in the fair's program.

DEFECT IS CURED.

The trustees hope that with the inauguration of negro day this obvious defect of the program will be done away with, and the sum total of the state's productive power will be greatly increased, to the advantage of the citizens of both races.

The management has assured the negroes interested in negro day that they will retain all of the exhibits and amusements for their benefit. A few of the live stock exhibits will be removed after 4 p. m. on the closing day of the fair in order to reach other fairs opening the following week, but with this exception the exhibits and programs will be just as replete with amusement and educational worth as on the other days. Fireworks and a horse show will be features of the night's program, and all through the day the fair will be a succession of pleasures and benefits.

Although the addition of this day will be in the nature of a departure and an experiment, the management of the fair is absolutely confident that it will be one of the greatest and most successful features of the whole week. In the point of financial returns and gate admissions it is expected to be the best day of the week. The trustees and sec-

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Augusta, Ga.
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WHAT NEGRO FAIR TEACHES NEGROES

Rev. C. T. Walker, Colored, and His Talk to the Colored People at the Opening of Negro Fair Last Week.

(By Silas X. Floyd.)

All things die—even fairs. The seventh annual negro fair, which was closed on Friday night, was a remarkable success, all things considered. From the opening address by Dr. C. T. Walker on Tuesday up to the close on Friday night, every step had been planned with military precision, and every feature was carried out as planned.

There were several things which contributed to the general success of the week. The splendid weather was one thing; the co-operation of the public, both white and colored, was another thing, and the service rendered by the police force was a third thing. The presence of a large number of Augusta's "finest"—plain-clothes men and uniformed officers—must not be overlooked in speaking of the general conduct and good deportment of the great crowds we had at our show last week. It is a good thing to have the policemen around. Our record of arrests was only five for the week, and the cases were so handled that it was not necessary to send a single offender downtown to the barracks. We had extra-fine service from the cops this year sure!

We had more exhibits by our white friends than ever before. Our executive committee made an apepal to them and the response was generous. Due to this we had a general post-office continued on the grounds with a colored man in charge, and the following white exhibitors left their exhibits over from the white fair:

J. B. White & Co., O'Connor-Schweers Paint Company, Chero-Cola Company, Sibley Manufacturing Company, Rowland & Co., D. Slusky, Augusta Mattress Company, Metropolitan Life Insurance Company, Richmond County board of health, Augusta Brewing Company, and one or two others. This certainly helped to swell the appearance of things and kept the main building from looking bare.

Making Comparisons.

The one new exhibit in the main building, which attracted much attention, was the exhibit of the People's Furniture Company, a company operated by colored men at the corner of Dugas and Campbell Streets. The men put on at our fair one of the handsomest exhibits of parlor and dining-room furniture ever displayed in Georgia at a fair by colored people. B. J. Dent is manager of the People's Furniture Company, and is a success in his work.

The K. of P. drill was not up to the standard of other years, but with minor exceptions the football game the horse races, and the horse show were quite creditable. There was a decided improvement in the number and quality of the babies entered in the baby contest. More interest was taken in that event this year than ever before by the wives and mothers

Conduct of the People.

By far the best thing exhibited on the grounds was the conduct of the people. Multitudes were brought together and had a good time and departed in peace without any cutting or shooting or things of that sort. And next to this, by far and away another significant thing was the extensive patronage of our white friends. We have already spoken of the kindness of the white merchants and business men of Augusta, who made donations of money and merchandise to our work, but we speak now of the attendance of many of these same white friends and many others on the grounds every day. On Thursday alone, at the football game, there were more than 500 white spectators.

It is not necessary to make this a long story. If I talked on and on for two or three columns, I could not, then, for myself and associates thank everybody sufficiently for their kindness to us, and for the patronage given our show.

The out-of-town attendance was not as large as we expected; but the local patronage was all to the good. Our rural friends are evidently suffering from the depression caused by the war and the consequent low price of cotton. We hope things will soon right themselves in the country districts. It will not be long, if the suffering continues there, before we are bound to feel it in town.

Figures are not ready for the public yet, but while we came out on the right side of the ledger, I feel sure that we have not earned enough money to buy out Wall Street!

Thanks, thanks, thanks, to one and to all!

Houston, Tex.
Chronicle
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EDICT ISSUED FOR NEGRO CARNIVAL

The following has been issued in connection with the De-Ro-Loc Carnival:

La-Yol E-Civ-Res VI, King of the De-Ro-Loc Carnival of Houston, November 16 to 21, 1914, has left his palace at Ev-Ery-Where for Houston, where he will reign in person during the "week o' joy." Following is a message received by the imperial chancellor yesterday, giving the personnel of the party and scenes attending the king's departure:

His majesty's suite:

King La-Yol E-Civ-Res VI of the Ninenteenth dynasty.

Prince Du-Ty, the king's son and successor.

Princess Cha-Ri-Ty, wife of Prince Du-Ty.

Grand Duke La-Bor, master builder of the empires.

Lord L-e-x, keeper of the golden rule.

Lady Justicia, Lady Mercia, Lady Truth and Prudencia, maid to Princess Cha-Ri-Ty.

The ceremony of transferring the government to his majesty's queen, Grace, and to the prime minister, De-Vo-Tion, who will rule in the king's absence, took place in the Grove of Ancient Oaks consecrated to the millenium. Living creatures of every nation, race and clime were present to bear testimony to the king's greatness and to wish him a safe and happy pilgrimage. An orison was sung by the federated choir of man and beast and the elements. From his throne the king announced that the progress of his journey would be marked by the thoughts and deeds of his subjects. Every good thought and deed would propel the party onward and every bad thought and deed would retard its progress, so that the king could tell the thoughts and works of the realm by the progress that was made. Said the king, "If you love us, then think kind thoughts, say kind words, do kind deeds." Only in this way may the pilgrimage be completed.

The imperial chancellor is stationed at Emancipation Park, where great activity is being manifested by those in charge of the king's carnival under the direction of the chancellor. A bulletin recounting incidents of the journey of King La-Yol E-Civ-Res VI and suite will be published next Sunday.

W. C. R.
A. D. 11-'14.

OFFICIALS OF COLORED ASSOCIATION MEET

Advertiser 11-14-14

Special to The Advertiser.

SYLACAUGA, ALA., Nov. 13.—The four counties fair, an organization of colored people of the counties of Talladega, Clay, Coosa and Shelby is holding its first annual session here this week. The purpose of the organization is to encourage colored farmers to raise better stock and dairy farm crops. Good displays are to be seen and the fair promises to be a success.

COLBERT COUNTY COLORED FAIR

Tuscumbia, Ala.

The Colbert County Colored Fair will begin October 14th and last until the 17th. Street Carnival to play the Fair and any other attractions that will be interesting. For further information apply to

N. T. PERKINS, Sheffield, Ala., Box 365.

Houston, Tex.
Chronicle
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Permit for Negro Fair.

Mayor Campbell granted a permit yesterday to A. L. Barber, president of the Texas Negro Industrial and Agricultural Fair Association, for the holding of the fair at Emancipation Park July 12 to 19. A baby show and other new features will be added to the fair this year. It is expected that about 5000 negroes from all over the state will come to Houston for the fair. Negotiations are being made with the railroads for reduced rates.

Charleston, S. C.
NEWS-
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COLORED STATE FAIR HELD

Exhibits of Real Merit Shown in Various Departments

Columbia, November 5.—Special: The seventh annual Negro State Fair opened here on Monday morning. The exhibits in the several departments came up to those of previous years and some say they are much better. It is evident that the workmanship of the many hundred articles made for exhibition at the Fair is far superior to anything put on exhibition heretofore. Then the number of visitors attending the Fair has been good. It may not be quite as large as last year and as the previous years, but when one considers the depressed condition of the financial world, the attendance is surprisingly good. It exceeds the expectations of the officers of the Association. R. W. Westberry, the superintendent, expressed himself as being pleased and encouraged.

Among the attractions at the Fair grounds yesterday was a game of football between Claflin University, of Orangeburg, and Benedict College, of Columbia. The game resulted in 6 to 12, in favor of Benedict. A large crowd witnessed the game and all were enthusiastic. Good order prevailed both among the players and the spectators.

I. E. Lowery.

Birmingham, Ala.
AGE HERALD
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Negro Day Draws Crowd

Montgomery, October 17.—(Special) Negro day at the Alabama State Exposition attracted large crowds both among the white and colored races and the day was declared to be a great success. The exposition closed tonight. Several well known negro educators from Tuskegee institute delivered addresses in the forum tent on agricultural and educational subjects and there was a large attendance at the tent throughout the day. Much favorable comment was heard on the various negro exhibits.

Richmond News Leader
OCT 10 1914

Colored Schools Get Praise at State Fair

An exhibit that has attracted perhaps as much attention as any on the grounds at the state fair, is that of the colored schools of Henrico county. The booth, planned by the colored boys, is located in the north end of the industrial hall, and is beautifully decorated with specimens of the work done by the colored pupils in the schools.

Every day this week a large crowd has been gathered around the place, commenting on the various pieces of handiwork on exhibition. Not only has the crowd commented, but they have expressed their admiration by purchasing nearly every artice that was shown.

The booth is in charge of Virginia Randolph, who is regarded as one of the most deserving colored women in this section of the state. She has had an active part in training the colored children of Henrico county and her friends aver she has a right to be proud of the remarkable showing the children have made

In the center of the booth is a large stand of fruit and vegetables, grown, prepared and canned by the pupils. This exhibit is prettily arranged, its glass jars shining in the light, reflecting most appetizingly the contents. Of the 175 quarts on exhibition, every one of them have been sold.

On the walls are arranged pillows, basts, sewing of all kinds, specimens of le er and story writing, pictures and ever hing pertaining to school work, and ach and every article shows the pain aking care of the maker, for each one remarkable in itself. Some of the ettiest pieces of needlework on the g unds is that shown by the colored child n.

An appetizing array of cakes, candies, ies and bread, baked by the colore children, is also on view, showing th e wide scope of training now being c nducted in the colored schools of the county. A unique attraction is a patc n quilt, made by one of the pupils on which is embroidered the names of the subscribers to the children's lunch fund. The names are beautifully worked and the quilt is reported to have netted $110. This piece of work will be exhibited all over the state by the school officers.

Another interesting corner is that devoted to products of the garden raised by the children on plots of grounds allotted to them by the schools. Some of the best samples of corn, cabbage and other truck on the grounds

s to be seen at the booth. A farmer from he western part of the state, seeing he excellent grains of corn, bought he entire lot for seed purposes.

The display is made up of the work f the twenty-four colored schools in he county, and those who arranged he exhibit have been given much redit for the showing they have made

N.Y. EV. MAIL

November 1914

Ask for Negro Bishop.

While negroes in politics are moving against segregation and getting into trouble with a Presbyterian President thereby, Methodist negroes are petitioning for segregation, in effect, by asking that a race bishop be assigned particularly to relieve the strained conditions in the South. The action paves the way for the Methodist unity plan, under which a grouping of all colored churches is contemplated. Dr. W. H. Brooks, pastor of St. Mark's Church on West Fifty-third street, signs the declaration as chairman.

NASHVILLE TENN

Banner

OCT 7 0 1914

Limestone Negro Fair.

Special to the Banner.

Athens, Ala., October 16.—The sixth annual fair of the Limestone County Negro Fair Association commenced Thursday. The weather has been very unfavorable the past three days, but it has cleared up and it is believed they will have a good attendance. The former fairs held by this association have been most profitable to the colored people.

Birmingham, Ala.

Ledger

OCT 9 1914

SATURDAY WILL BE NEGRO DAY AT FAIR

On Sunday the Tuskegee Negro Band Will Give Concert

Saturday will be negro day at the Alabama state fair. Sunday will be negro band concert day. On Saturday the regular program of events, including all of the free acts, horse racing, and motorcycle events and the fireworks Saturday night, will be carried out as on every other day of the fair.

There will be several additional features for the negroes. These will include prize drills by several of the negro lodges and secret organizations.

A big negro baby show will take place in the grandstand during the day. There have been a large number of entries and this event promises to prove of great interest.

The Tuggle institute band will be on hand. The Booker T. Washington band from the Tuskegee institute, will arrive in Birmingham Saturday morning and will be at the fair. There will be a concert by the two negro bands at the fair grounds.

Sunday afternoon there will be a concert by the Tuskegee band. In addition to the band there will be a chorus of a number of negro voices. The concert promises to be one of the most interesting features of the fair and a large attendance of white people is expected.

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PLANS FOR NEGRO DAY AT THE FAIR, NOV. 11

Employers of Negro Labor Are Requested to Permit Them to Attend Fair on Negro Day.

In order to encourage the negro farmers of the state to become better farmers and livestock raisers, and to stimulate lines of endeavor on the farm and in the schools, the State Fair this year has set aside a special department for individual farm exhibits by negro farmers.

This department is located in one of the machinery buildings just beyond the automobile show, in charge of Charles P. Adams, of Grambling, La. and is attracting much favorable comment.

In order to give the negroes an opportunity to attend the fair and see what is being accomplished by their race who have elected to stay on the farm instead of crowding into the cities and towns of the state, the subjoined petition from Secretary Brueggerhoff of the State Fair Association addressed to all manufacturers, business houses and employers of negro labor has been circulated and liberally signed, and the committee, composed of Fred Stewman, S. S. Stokes and J. S. Williams, respectfully, requests those who they were unable to see, to be generous enough to comply with the request made in the petition.

The petition, together with the names of those who have agreed to its prayer, is as follows:

"To All Manufacturers, Business Houses and Contractors of Colored Labor:

"The Louisiana State Fair, knowing that by encouragement morally as well as financially, the colored people can be greatly benefited by visiting the State Fair and taking an active interest in same, we do most respectfully ask that you allow as many of your colored employes to lay off and take in the fair on Wednesday, November 11, as possible, this day having been set aside for the colored people.

"The State Fair offers six hundred dollars in cash premiums for all kinds of exhibits in the agricultural, live stock and school divisions and to this has been added four hundred and fifty dollars by private subscription through the efforts of Mr. John Jenkins, who secured this amount from the bankers, wholesalers and others.

"The Colored Business League of Shreveport, recognizing what it will mean, has donated the sum of fifty dollars to the premium list and in addition to that the best of our colored people have taken this day in hand and are serving without pay to help make this day a success.

"In view of all of these facts we certainly hope that you will grant our request and the committee will call upon you to ask your co-operation.

"Thanking you most cordially, we are,

Very truly yours,
"LOUIS N. BRUEGGERHOFF,
"Secretary."

Roberts-Brown Lumber Co. Ltd., Victoria Lumber Company, Foster & Glassell Ltd., The Hicks Company Ltd., Crawford, Jenkins & Booth Ltd.; The Lee Hardware Co., Ltd., Allen Manufacturing Co., Ltd., Central Lumber Company, J. H. Eastham, Mayor; George Epple, Superintendent Streets and Parks; C. C. Hardman Company, N. H. Sagstetter, M. M., K. C. S.; Ardis Company, Ltd., W. S. Carter, Agent V., S. & P. Ry. and M., K. & T. Ry.; Sudahy Packing Company, S. G. Dreyfus Company, Shreveport Long Leaf Lbr. Co.

MEMPHIS COMM'L APPEAL

SEP 20 1914

NEGROES PLAN CARNIVAL.

Will Hold Two Days' Celebration at Fair Grounds Next Month.

The negro fair, which has been held for two years after the close of the Tri-State Fair and Exposition, will not be held this year. Instead the leading negroes of the city are planning for a two days' carnival, to be held on Oct. 8 and 9 at the fair grounds.

The negro merchants of the city will have exhibits and a special women's exhibit will be given, which will be as complete as any made at former fairs. There will also be racing each afternoon and a fireworks display at night.

The carnival will be given under the auspices of the Colored Fair Association, of which E. W. Irving is president and L. G. Patterson is secretary.

SEP 2 1914

NEGRO ASSOCIATION ELECTS OFFICERS

The following officers for the ensuing year were yesterday elected by the Colored State Farmers' Alliance and Back-To-The-Farm Association of Tennessee at their meeting in the chapel of the State Agricultural and Industrial Normal School:

M. J. Sublett, President: Westley Hockett, First Vice-President; Albert Gooch, Second Vice-President; J. B. Mullens, General Business Manager; J. C. Crawley, Secretary; J. L. White, Corresponding Secretary. The Board of Directors were elected as follows: B. J. Meredith, President; A. B. Patterson, M. J. Sublett, Westley Hockett, A. L. Pinkerton, E. W. Washington and Young Moore.

The sessions of the association were resumed at 10 o'clock this morning in the Agricultural Building of the State Fair. Capt. T. F. Peck, State Commissioner of Agriculture, delivered an address and other interesting talks were made.

Nashville, Tennessean.

SEP 2 3 1914

Plans for Negro Day.

The local colored business enterprises, including Nashville's two negro banking institutions, will observe half-holiday Saturday, closing up promptly at noon in order to encourage a large attendance of colored people from the city "negro day" at the state fair.

Great interest is manifested by the negroes throughout the state in this special day, and it is fully expected that thousands will come to Nashville to witness the special programs and features which have been arranged especially for the benefit of the members of their race by the Nashville negro board of trade. It was said Wednesday by an official of the negro board that the colored people from over the state are seemingly more concerned in the movement than those living here in Nashville, and the agreement of the local business concerns to close up for a half-day Saturday is the result of an attempt to stimulate a more general interest among the local colored people. One reason advanced by those interested for the lack of enthusiasm among local colored people in "negro day" is that many of them are attending the state fair each day, being right here in the city and where it is convenient for them to see each day's program. However the board of trade expects to arouse the same enthusiasm among the Nashville colored people as is shown by those from other sections of the state in this special day and the predictions are that Saturday will see one of the biggest crowds at the fair of the entire six days.

It is learned that of the features that have been arranged especially in which colored people will participate on Saturday, the competitive drill by uniform rank departments of the fraternal orders, the band concert, and the horse show at night, are attracting by far the most attention, and entries for these contests are being made with the negro board of trade on Cedar street, or with J. C. Napier, chairman of "negro day," at the One Cent Savings bank.

HOUSEKEEPERS' EXHIBIT AT MITCHELL ST. CHURCH

Constitution 9-21-14

A unique exhibition being made at the well-known colored Baptist church, 299 West Mitchell street, is that of a collection of preserves, jellies, pickles and other delicious things coming under the head of delicacies and comprising a part of every good housekeeper's pantry. There are several hundred specimens, all made by colored women, who are interested in making for efficiency in domestic science, especially as it pertains to cooking, and who are trying, by the exploitation of their wares, to encourage a greater interest in culinary art. The exhibition will last today and tomorrow, and is open to the public. The church is situated near the Atlanta university, and is easily reached by the West Mitchell car line.

Galveston, Texas

NEWS-

OCT 1 1914

NEGROES TO OPEN FAIR TODAY

Stock and Farm Exhibits, Domestic Science and Other Features Are Staged at Hempstead.

Special to The News.

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The grounds are located in the northern part of town and are spacious and electrically lighted, with all other accommodations. During the three days it is expected that several thousand negroes from this and adjoining counties will be in attendance.

MRS. SLATON TO VISIT DOMESTIC SCIENCE FAIR

Constitution 9-26-14

The domestic science fair at the W... Mitchell Street church is proving ... quite a success. Hundreds of p... see and admire the articles now ... exhibit. So eager has been the de... to see the exhibits that the committee has agreed to continue during next week.

Mrs. John M. Slaton, wife of Governor Slaton, has promised to visit the fair during next week, and other distinguished women. The pastor, Rev. C. C. Neal, is trying to impress upon his people how they can hold their own in the economy of the south. He believes that this can be done by regarding any work they have to do as being honorable.

The Rev. Joel T. Daves, D. D., will fill the pulpit at 3:30 o'clock at the West Mitchell Street C. M. E. church. At night Rev. D. W. Cannon, D. D., will preach on the subject of "Giving." The pastors of the five C. M. E. churches in Atlanta and their congregations have promised to be present.

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Fairs — 1914

NEGROES OF HANCOCK HAVE FINE EXHIBITS

Constitution 11-15-14

Sparta, November 14.—(Special.)—Negroes of Hancock county have just closed their second annual fair here. It was quite an improvement over their first attempt last year, and reflected great credit on the colored race. Rev. T. J. Linton is president. The white people were much interested in the enterprise and gave it every encouragement.

The exhibits showed great variety and uniform excellence. Men brought the products of their farm and the women showed samples of their cooking, laundering, sewing and canning. Rev. C. T. Walker, of Augusta, gave the annual address on the opening day, and Rev. H. H. Proctor, of Atlanta, gave the educational address yesterday. Dr. Proctor drew lessons from the European war for his race. Among other things he stressed the importance of diversifying the crops and paying cash for their supplies.

NEGRO FAIR WINS FAVORABLE COMMENT

Republican 10-17-14

Special to The Advertiser.

ATHENS ALA., Oct. 16—Yesterday the first day of the seventh annual fair of the Limestone Negro Fair Association and a large attendance notwithstanding the very inclement weather was on hand. The association has done a wonderful work among the negroes and it shows in the displays at the fair.

The agricultural exhibit is most creditable, the floral hall which in charge of the negro women is worthy the attention of anybody. They have shown ability in the various departments in the culinary, sewing and other lines.

The stock pens show wonderful advancement in this line during the past few years. The fair association is in the hands and under the direction of the leaders of the race in this county and they have made wonderful strides for their race. The fair lasts three days, but very disagreeable weather has preceeded the opening and this wi[illegible] the racing program.

Macon Ga News

NOV 19 1914

THE NEGRO STATE FAIR.

The white people of Macon have shown too little appreciation in the past of the negro state fair, and they are now urged to atone for that negligence by giving it this year at least one day of patronage. The mayor and council, the county commissioners and other public and civic bodies have already agreed to attend the fair on a specific date, and many of the merchants have also volunteered to subscribe to the plan.

This is a happy idea, and it cannot be encouraged too much. The negro fair is a particularly fine showing this year of the progress made by the negroes of Georgia in agricultural and industrial pursuits, and their efforts and success are entitled to hearty support from the white citizens of Macon.

ATLANTA, GA

GEORGIAN

OCT 1 1914

Negro Home Science Show Comes to End

The Domestic Science Fair at the West Mitchell street negro Methodist Church was brought to a close Thursday with an address by Mrs. John M. Slaton, wife of the governor. Mrs. Slaton congratulated the exhibitors, and likened the work shown at the fair with that of the industrial school at Milledgeville.

Prizes were awarded during the morning. The number of exhibitors was unusually large.

Houston, Tex.

POST

AUG 30 1914

NEGROES TO HOLD FAIR.

Waller County Event Expected t Be Successful.

(Houston Post Special.)

HEMPSTEAD, Texas, August 29.—Extensive plans for holding the second annual Afro-American fair of Waller county from September 31 to October inclusive, are under way, and barring contingencies the event this year is expected to be far more of a success than the first, which was satisfactory in every way. The fair is wholly of an industrial nature and is held in the northern part of town where the association, which is composed of prominent negroes of this and adjoining counties have a park fenced, electrically lighted and with every convenience. Prizes are offered for live stock, farm and other exhibits.

NASHVILLE, TENN

Banner

SEP 8 - 1914

Negro Fair In Bedford.

Special to the Banner.

Shelbyville, Tenn., September 8.—The colored people of Bedford County are preparing to hold their third annual fair beginning Friday and continue through Saturday. The Fair Association was organized two years ago under the charter name of the Negro Progressive Fair Association, with Dr. Stanley Davis as President; Dr. J. E. Bias, Secretary, and William Crawford, general manager. The fairs are held on the campus of Turner College, the buildings on the grounds being used for the various exhibits. The association is composed of a number of the most prominent and progressive colored men in the county. This has contributed to the success which has attended the two previous meetings.

There are quite a large number of enterprising and well-to-do colored citizens in Bedford County and their exhibits of live stock and farm products are usually praiseworthy. The present chief officials are D. A. Bradley, President; Dr. J. E. Bias, Secretary, and Pink Scott, general manager.

Galveston, Texas

NEWS.

JUL 9 1914

NEGROES WILL HAVE EXPOSITION.

Three Parades Will Be Feature Events for July 12 to 19 Fair.

Special to The News.

Houston, Tex., July 8.—The second annual fair of the Texas Negro Fair Association will be held here from July 12 to 19. Three parades will feature the event. There will be an agricultural parade on Monday, a queen and flower parade on Wednesday, and a race horse parade on Friday.

Railroads have granted reduced rates for the fair, and large crowds are expected to attend from the surrounding country. The races will be held at Emancipation Park.

THE MADISON COUNTY FAIR

A big fair at Jackson, October the 13th to the 17th is what the Madison County Fair Association expects, according to a statement by the Hon. Samuel M. Diggs, the president. Indications are that there will a larger attendance than last year. By the efforts of Mr. Diggs and the Association, the Madison County Fair is said to be the best in the whole circuit of West Tennessee.

The Masonic Exposition held here last week by the Masons is reported as having been a success. Large crowds attended each day and night, and the attractions about the grounds played well their part. There were two or three incidents which were not pleasant nor healthful. Such cannot always be prevented, especially in the absence of a large amount of caution.

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Co-operation of the Races in the South

(H. G. Ruffin, Womack Hill, Ala.)

Sparks 12-1914.

ON THINGS social, the races in the South might divide; but in aims at the economic improvement and uplift of the masses—united. No co-operation is needed more than that along industrial lines; none warrant more beneficent results.

Our farm demonstration agents, experiment stations and agricultural schools are potent agencies in developing higher agricultural ideals but nothing impresses its importance more than farmers' demonstration fairs. Their displays create an incentive for scientific farming and live stock improvement.

The Gilbertown, Ala., Fair Association, colored exhibits were a clear demonstration of the good of racial co-operation along industrial lines.

The colored people were given a day at the fair, which proved so successful until the association declared its intention to build an exhibit for colored people next year. And they be given an opportunity to put on their exhibits the first day.

Revs. C. L. Fisher, C. First Johnson, of Mobile, Mr. Jas. S. Sibly of Montgomery and Prof. Arthur Mitchel, president of West, Ala., Industrial Institute, Geiger, Ala., were invited to address the people on Friday, Oct. 16, being colored people's day. Owing to previous engagement none but Prof. Mitchel came.

Rev. C. C. Yates introduced Prof. H. G. Ruffin, manager of colored people's day, as the man to introduce Prof. Mitchel, which he did in well chosen words.

Prof. Mitchel made a great speech. The immense audience, both white and colored, listened with rapt attention during his entire speech. He impressed the white citizens as never before with the importance of co-operating with the colored people along all progressive lines. Every other community might profit by this example. The race should be encouraged to co-operate with the white race in the advancement of our economic institutions.

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The Great Tri County Colored Fair

The Atlanta Independence

will open Tuesday at 9 A. M. on the 10/17/14.

Morning of November 3

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Hon. B. J. Davis will make opening address at 11:30 o'clock. Every Odd Fellow and every Household specially invited to hear him. Fine midway; plenty of free attractions; Jubilee singing and many curious exhibits to be seen. Remember Tuesday, the opening day, is free day. Bring every child in the county. C. C. Hill, President I. A. Johnson, Secretary; J. B. Ellis, Manager.

BOOKER WASHINGTON ON STATE FAIR.

Booker T. Washington has written the following communication to The Advertiser in connection with the relation of negroes to the State Fair to be held in Montgomery October 12-17:

"There are some matters relating to the Alabama State Fair to be held in Montgomery October 12 to 17 that I want to call special attention to for the benefit of the colored people of the State.

"The Montgomery State Fair affords a splendid and unusual opportunity for our people to show by actual exhibit their progress in education, farming and general industry and growth in all respects. This means that every one who can possibly do so make some kind of exhibit, no matter how small. If one has nothing but a half dozen ears of the best corn, we want him to bring them to the Fair. We want every school and other organizations to make their exhibits.

"Next in importance to making an exhibit is the importance of seeing the Fair. To visit and see a Fair such as is going to be held in Montgomery is a liberal education. The whole family should attend, not one day, but many days. Every day the family attends the Fair something can be learned by each member of the family that can be put into practice all the year on the farm, in the garden, and in the home and school. What will be learned will be worth many times the small gate fee.

"I want to ask, too, that the white people in Alabama encourage and help the colored people to make exhibits and attend the Fair, under the leadership and guidance of our good and great Governor, Hon. Emmet O'Neal. We have the utmost good will and friendship existing between the two races in Alabama and the Fair affords the white people a good opportunity to keep in touch with the progress of our race. In proportion as the white people see what the negroes are striving to do, good and friendly feeling is going to be still further strengthened. From a purely business point of view, every white man ought to encourage and help our people to attend the Fair, even if the white man has to provide the tickets.

"The cotton acreage in Alabama and in the South will never be reduced to any great extent till the black people, as a whole, really cultivate the most of the cotton and learn how to diversity their crops. What the colored people see at the Fair will teach them how to diversify their crops.

"The Fair to be held during the present month will serve the additional purpose of putting encouragement and faith into the hearts of the people at a season when they are likely to be depressed. I believe that anyone who attends the Fair will go away with the feeling that Alabama is not wholly dependent upon cotton for its prosperity, but we can live in spite of the depressed condition surrounding the sale of cotton.

"We are anxious to have an attendance of at least 50,000 people on the Fair grounds especially on October 17. The President of the Fair, Mr. F. G. Salter, the Board of Directors, Prof. Clinton J. Calloway, William Rakestraw and many others are working extremely hard to make the Negro Department a great success and they ought to be helped by all our people throughout the State.

"BOOKER T. WASHINGTON."

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ROCKDALE, TEXAS, JULY 22, 23, 24, 1914

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REEL 2

Fairs - 1914

Midway at State Exposition Embraces Many New Features

6/21/14

Over a Score of High Class Entertainments Included in This One Department, While Every Feature of Next October's Attraction Is Receiving Unusual Care, Attention and Interest.

Montgomery Advertiser

The Alabama State Exposition Company took an early start this year in arranging the details for the biggest fair in the history of the Capital City for next October, and as a result many unusual features have been assured for the pleasure and instruction of the thousands that are expected to attend.

The State Exposition will exist in actuality but five days, but the plans are to make these five great big days. Every day will be a special feature day. Every day will have its own individual and distinctive feature. There will be the opening day, Montgomery Day, the Children's Day, Traveling Men's Day and the Negroes' Day, while every day will be the people's day, the county's day, the State's day, amusement seekers' day, information seekers' day, visitors' day and everybody's day.

Primarily the big fair will be an enlarged and more comprehensive display of the products of the soil of Montgomery County and the State of Alabama. Desirable premiums are being offered for these exhibits, and farmers, planters, growers, poultry men and live stock growers have shown greater interest in the undertaking this year than ever before. The number of exhibits promises to be larger than heretofore, and the class of products will be materially increased. The Hope Hull meeting of the past week saw a movement started that will mean several distinctive features added to the fair this year, and many additional desirable premiums will be offered as a result.

Midway is Revived.

In the amusement line, the management has revived the popular old Midway. The Midway features have always proven popular, even in the days when the attractions were of mediocre worth. This year the local management has gone further in its efforts to provide amusements, and have added numerous thrills, and thrills are what the amusement seeker insists being injected into his amusements. Rice and Dore, a famous firm of purveyors of pleasure and instruction for the people, have been given the contract to provide the Midway and its numerous features. Their first announcement, made during the past week, gives and idea of the immenseness of their plans.

The principal feature of the Rice and Dore combination is an immense Water Circus, a vehicle that serves to introduce over thirty of the aquatic stars in "Neptune's Daughter," or "A Trip to the Bottom of the Sea." Here will be shown high divers, log rollers, diving girls, water clowns, diving ponies and dogs, and other features. In addition to this one big feature there are some twenty other high-class acts and entertainments, including A Congress of Wonders, featuring Prince Napoleon, the midget magician and entertainer; the largest snake in captivity, the Curse of Adam; the fat girl; Major Little Finger and his wife, and "Midget' Baby'; Persian Sheep, imported from the Holy Lands under bond to the United States Government, being the oldest domesticated animals known to the human race; the far-famed Streets of Cairo and the Gypsy fortune tellers; the dancing dolls, musical comedy, Ferris wheel, carry-us-all, circle wave, motordome, plantation shows and three bands of music.

This immense array of instructive and amusing features is but one of the offerings of the exposition management. There will be numerous free acts that will be free, splendid horse racing by thoroughbred horses of a high quality, concessions that afford interest, excitement and competition, fireworks and thousands of exhibits.

Myriad of Exhibits.

So much space has been contracted for already for exhibit purposes that the suggestion has been made additional space will have to be provided. This feature was developed at the Hope Hull meeting last week, and assurances were then and there given that such additional space will be provided even though it may be necessary to build temporary buildings to take care of the promised big increases.

Every department of human endeavor will be properly represented in the various exhibit halls, especially those things that interest and attract the Alabama people and the prospective settler in the State. Every variety of farm product from King Cotton to the lowly potato will be shown in their perfect production, flowers, fruit trees, shrubs and trees; game birds, tame birds, plain and fancy poultry will form a very conspicuous feature of the exposition, and live stock of all kinds will be shown in the various cattle barns.

The work of the school children, the pride of the entire state of Alabama, all have a separate department, and the ladies will show the beauties of the needle and brush. Music and art will be conspicuous in the exhibit halls as well as predominant in the general scheme of decorative attractiveness throughout the entire vast space of Vandiver Park, the permanent home of the State's greatest exposition and State Fair.

Negro Day.

The splendid progress being made by the Negroes in the Souht is to receive recognition in so far as one day will be set aside for them. This year Negro Day is to be all that the name implies. Special features will be arranged under the leaders of that race. these to include demonstrations of abilities in the various crafts as well as to invade the amusement fields. The white people of the State who are continually encouraging the negroes who are really endeavoring to benefit themselves, again promise to materially assist on this day.

An excellent program has already been tentatively prepared and submitted to the exposition management, and every feature has been promptly indorsed. Unusual exhibits have been prepared and the amusement featurs promise to be something entirely out of the ordinary. Incidentally, the negro planters and farmers have entered into the spirit of the exposition and are arranging various highly creditable exhibits.

William Rakestraw of the county state normal has been appointed manager for the negroes in their effort to make Montgomery county, as well as the State, show splendidly at the exposition. He is already canvassing throughout the State and reports highly encouraging success. The entire negro department will be under the supervision and direction of Booker T. Washington, and his Tuskegee Institute will play an important part in the management of the displays and the entertainments.

Pledges Secured.

The Negro Business League has become actively interested in their department of the exposition and much effective work is being done. The Order of Good Shepherds is deeply interested, the supreme president, G. W. Chaldler, being especially active. The principals of Mt. Meigs Institute and the Kowligia School, over in Elmore county, are lending their efforts to make the fair a success, while the negro farmers of Dallas county, through Dr. L. L. Burwell of Selma, are assembling a large exhibit.

The Big Zion and the Little Zion communities and Sanders Myricks of Mt. Calvary, all thrifty farmers of Montgomery county, are gathering together material and promises for a very large part in the negro department.

The various women's clubs among the negroes are being interested in the big exposition and perorts are made that an unusually large exhibit will be supplied by them to demonstrate the actual progress that has been made by the women of the race in all branches of endeavor.

The Slogan Contest.

The feature of the work of the exposition company during the past week was deciding upon the slogan and trade mark design and awarding the prizes to the winners. The slogan adopted is "Meet Me in Montgomery—Come on Along," while the trade mark design is an outline of the state of Alabama with boosting literature artistically arranged within, the Capital City being shown in almost perfect geographical location.

While the slogan adopted is a composite one, the half a hundred suggestions embracing a wide variety of ideas, a number breaking into poetic peans of praise, the publicity committee, of which Julian Rice is chairma and J. Purnell Glass secretary decided to award the prizes to the three individuals suggesting the ideas that are entertwined in the slogan and trade mark design.

As heretofore announced, the winners are: F. W. Jackson, Montgomery, first prize of $5.00 cash and a season ticket to the exposition; Miss Bettie B. Harriss, Dothan, and Gordon Hudson, Montgomery, second prize, a season ticket each. Mr. Jackson came nearer to the actual wording of the first part of the slogan than either of the others. He suggested "Meet Me at Montgomery," while the other two wrote "Meet Me in Montgomery, Mabel" and and "Meet Me in Montgomery, Mary."

The Journal & Guide, 4-4-14

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